House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. WEXTON).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:
WASHINGTON, DC,
March 21, 2019.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JENNIFER WAXTON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER
The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:

Gracious God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

You have blessed us with all good gifts, and with thankful hearts we express our gratitude. You have created us with opportunities to serve other people in their need, to share together in respect and affection, and to be faithful in the responsibilities we have been given.

In this moment of prayer, please grant to the Members of this people’s House, as they meet with their respective constituents, the gifts of wisdom and discernment, that in their words and actions they will do justice, love with mercy, and walk humbly with You.

May all that is done this day be for Your greater honor and glory. Amen.

THE JOURNAL
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 208, the Journal of the last day’s proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE REPUBLICAN LEADER
The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable KEVIN McCARTHY, Republican Leader:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, March 26, 2019.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to Section 104(b) of House Resolution 6, 116th Congress, I am pleased to appoint the following Member to the Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission to serve as the Republican Chairman:

The Honorable Christopher H. Smith of New Jersey.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
KEVIN McCARTHY,
Republican Leader.

ADJOURNMENT
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(b) of House Resolution 208, the House adjourned until Monday, March 25, 2019, at noon for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Thereupon (at 2 o’clock and 2 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, March 25, 2019, at noon for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker’s table and referred as follows:

410. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting the final volumes to complete the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1105(a); Public Law 97-258 (as amended by Public Law 101-506, Sec. 1312(c)(1)); (104 Stat. 1288-608) (H. Doc. No. 116-3); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

411. A letter from the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter authorizing eleven officers to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral (lower half), pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777(b)(3); Public Law 104-106, Sec. 503(a)(1) (as added by Public Law 108-136, Sec. 509(a)(3)); (117 Stat. 1458); to the Committee on Armed Services.

412. A letter from the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter authorizing six officers to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777(b)(3); Public Law 104-106, Sec. 503(a)(1) (as added by Public Law 108-136, Sec. 509(a)(3)); (117 Stat. 1458); to the Committee on Armed Services.

413. A letter from the Alternate OSD PRLO, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Program to Encourage Public and Community Service (PACS) [Docket ID: DOD-2019-OS-0024] (RIN: 0700-AH14) received March 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

414. A letter from the Director, Cost Assessment/Program Evaluation, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a determination; to the Committee on Armed Services.

415. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting the Agency’s final rule — Rules of Practice and Procedure; Civil Money Penalty Inflation Adjustment (RIN: 2590-AB01) received March 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

CORRECTION
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416. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Education, transmitting a determination of the Department of Education that portions of sections 117(d)(2)(B) and 801(d)(3)(C)(iv) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), Public Law 89-10, codified as amended at 20 U.S.C. Secs. 6202(d)(2)(B) and 7881(d)(3)(C)(iv), respectively, are unnecessary and in light of the Supreme Court’s decision in the Trinity Lutheran Church of Columbia, Inc. v. Comer, 137 S. Ct. 12 (2017), pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 590(d)(4); Public Law 107-273, Sec. 202(a); (116 Stat. 1771); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

417. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency’s final rule — Air Plan Approval; Indiana; Attainment Plan for Indianapolis and Terre Haute SO2 Nonattainment Areas [EPA-R05-OAR-2015-0700; FRL-9991-10-Region 5] received March 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 888); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

418. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency’s final rule — Approval and Prolongation of Air Quality State Implementation Plans; California State; Moderate State Plan for the 2012 PM 2.5 NAAQS [EPA-R09-OAR-2017-0728; FRL-9990-34-Region 9] received March 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 888); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

419. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency’s final rule — Clean Air Plans; 2008 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area Requirements; San Joaquin Valley, California [EPA-R09-OAR-2018-0535; FRL-9990-13-Region 9] received March 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 888); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

420. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month period report on the national emergency with respect to persons undermining democratic processes or institutions in Zimbabwe pursuant to section 121 of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1721(b)); (113 Stat. 1288) of March 6, 2003, and Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1702(a); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1677); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

421. A letter from the Assistant Legal Advisor, Office of Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting reports concerning international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States to be transmitted, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

422. A letter from the Acting Chief, Branch of Domestic Listing, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Listing the Scarlet Macaw [Docket No.: FWS-R4-ES-2017-0066; 4500000113] (RIN: 1018-BC16) received March 14, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 888); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

423. A letter from the Acting Chief, Branch of Domestic Listing, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status for the Candy Darter [Docket No.: FWS-R5-ES-2017-0056; 4500000113] (RIN: 1018-BC14) received March 14, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 888); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

424. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department’s report to Congress titled, “Assistance Provided to Foreign Aviation Authorities” pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 40131(e)(4); Public Law 103-272, Sec. 1(e) (as amended by Public Law 112-95, Sec. 207); (126 Stat. 39); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

425. A letter from the Attorney — Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department’s temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Firestone Grand Prix of St. Petersburg, St. Petersburg, Florida [Docket Number: USCG-2019-0050] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received March 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 888); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

426. A letter from the Attorney — Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department’s temporary final rule — Special Local Regu-
H.R. 1841. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to the designation of general surgery shortage areas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois (for himself, Mr. MCEINNERY, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, and Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ).

H.R. 1842. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow graduate students to exclude tuition reductions from gross income; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GALLAGHER.

H.R. 1843. A bill to amend the National Emergencies Act to provide that a national emergency declared by the President terminates 60 days after the President reprograms or transfers an amount in excess of $250,000,000 for the response to such emergency, unless a joint resolution affirming such declaration is enacted into law; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHI (for himself, Ms. TESSIE of Illinois, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. GARCIA of Illinois, Mr. QUIKLEY, Mr. CASTEN of Illinois, Mr. DANNY K. YVOND of Illinois, Mr. SCHABOSKI of Illinois, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. P. DOEY, Mr. MAST, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. SHINKUS, Mr. KEIZINGER, Mrs. BUSTOS, and Mr. LAGIOLO).

H.R. 1844. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 66 Grove Courts, Elmhurst, Illinois, as the Corporal Alex Martinez Memorial Post Office Building; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. KUSTER of New Hampshire (for herself and Mr. MULLIN).

H.R. 1845. A bill to provide for the establishment of the Prescription Safety Alert System with respect to covered drug products, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. STEFANHEAD of California (for herself, Ms. MOORE, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. OMAR, Mr. HASTINGS, Ms. NORTON, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. MCCRACKEN, Mr. NADLER, Mr. CASTOR, Mr. COHEN, Mrs. CAPPETTI, B. MALONEY of New York, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. WILD, Mr. TALLIBOAT, Mr. JAYAPAL, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Ms. SCHAUKOWSKY, Mr. PETRUS, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, and Ms. DELAUF).

H.R. 1846. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to address the increased burden that maintaining the health and hygiene of infants and toddlers places on families including, the resultant adverse health effects on children and families, and the limited child care options available for infants and toddlers to obtain sufficient diapers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. FLORES, Mr. FLORES, Mr. HICK of Georgia (for himself and Mr. HICK of Georgia).

H.R. 1847. A bill to require congressional notification of changes in status of inspectors general, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. LOEBUSCH (for himself and Mr. CASTEN of Illinois).

H.R. 1848. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to direct the Federal Communications Commission to carry out a grant program to make grants for the establishment or expansion of job training programs for communications tower service, consistent with certain criteria determined by the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. ALLEN (for himself, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, and Mr. FERGUSON).

H. Res. 297. A resolution recognizing the 50th anniversary of The Dental College of Georgia at Augusta University, in such case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CHABOT, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. TUCKER, and Mr. QUIKLEY.

H. Res. 298. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States’ One-China Policy does not commit it to the People’s Republic of China’s One-China Principle, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. HARRIS, and Mr. QUIKLEY).

H. Res. 299. A resolution expressing support for Ukraine in its upcoming elections and opposing any Russian interference in Ukraine’s elections; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. GRIJALVA.

H. Res. 300. A resolution commemorating the 100th anniversary of the National Parks Conservation Association; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. LYNCH (for himself, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. GAETZ, and Ms. SPECTER).

H. Res. 301. A resolution expressing support for designation of September as “National Air and Space Museum Awareness Month”; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

9. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, relative to House Resolution No. 105, urging Congress to enact legislation granting the United States Department of Agriculture jurisdiction over labeling requirements for imitation meat products prepared by the Committee on Agriculture.

10. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois of Illinois, relative to House Resolution No. 76, urging the United States’ One-China Policy does not commit it to the People’s Republic of China’s One-China Principle, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. DEUTCH.

H.R. 1838. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to improve the financial aid needs assessment of very low-income families and to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. MARCHANT.

H. Res. 105. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States’ One-China Policy does not commit it to the People’s Republic of China’s One-China Principle, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. CHABOT.

H. Res. 246. A resolution expressing support for Ukraine’s forthcoming elections and opposing any Russian interference in Ukraine’s elections; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. GRIJALVA.

H. Res. 247. A resolution recognizing the 50th anniversary of The Dental College of Georgia at Augusta University, in such case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. ALLEN (for himself, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, and Mr. FERGUSON).

H. Res. 297. A resolution recognizing the 50th anniversary of The Dental College of Georgia at Augusta University, in such case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CHABOT.

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By Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. HARRIS, and Mr. QUIKLEY).

H. Res. 299. A resolution expressing support for Ukraine in its upcoming elections and opposing any Russian interference in Ukraine’s elections; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. GRIJALVA.

H. Res. 250. A resolution commemorating the 100th anniversary of the National Parks Conservation Association; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. LYNCH (for himself, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. GAETZ, and Ms. SPECTER).

H. Res. 251. A resolution expressing support for designation of September as “National Air and Space Museum Awareness Month”; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representa-
tives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. DELUTCH.

H.R. 1837.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8.
8, Clause 1, related to providing for the general welfare.

AND: Enacted under the authority provided in Article I, Section 8, related to Congress’ ability to “(carry) into execution the foregoing powers.”

By Mr. RUIZ: H.R. 813. Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution, the power to regulate commerce.

By Mr. REED: H.R. 1596. Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1: The Congress shall have Power “To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States;

By Mr. MEADOWS: H.R. 1553. Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1: The Congress shall have Power “To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States;

By Mr. RICE: H. Res. 52. Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1: The Congress shall have Power “To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States;

By Mr. GREEN of Tennessee: H.J. Res. 52. Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article V of the Constitution, which grants Congress the authority to propose amendments to the Constitution.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 4: Mr. MALINOWSKI.
H.R. 5: Miss GONZALEZ-Colon of Puerto Rico.
H.R. 6: Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. CARBONI, Mr. VAN DREW, and Ms. STEVENS.
H.R. 141: Ms. LEE of California, Mr. COX of California, and Ms. WATSON COLEMAN.
H.R. 220: Mr. MALINOWSKI.
H.R. 286: Mr. GARTZ.
H.R. 298: Ms. JACKSON Lee and Mr. CURRILL.
H.R. 303: Ms. ESCOBAR and Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ.
H.R. 336: Mr. DAVID P. ROE of Tennessee.
H.R. 394: Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ.
H.R. 397: Mr. KIM, Mr. GARCIA of Illinois, Ms. WILD, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mrs. TRAHAEN, Ms. LOFOPEN, Mr. ROSE of New York, and Ms. HALLAND.
H.R. 518: Mr. STAUBER, Mr. BALDERSON, and Mr. MOONEY of West Virginia.
H.R. 530: Ms. LEE of California.
H.R. 549: Mr. EVANS, Ms. NORTON, and Ms. VELAZQUEZ.
H.R. 550: Ms. MOORE, Mr. CUNSINO, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. THOMPSON of Florida, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mr. CARBAJAL, and Mr. SHUKUM.
H.R. 553: Mr. KUSTOFF of Tennessee, Mr. BANKS, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. FLEischmann, and Mr. Williams.
H.R. 555: Mr. WEXTON, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, and Mr. KIM.
H.R. 575: Mr. GREEN of Tennessee and Mr. PEREY.
H.R. 582: Mr. VELA.
H.R. 598: Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire.
H.R. 602: Mr. COOK.
H.R. 613: Mr. PERLMUTTER.
H.R. 615: Ms. JUDY Chu of California and Mr. TRAUB.
H.R. 622: Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. COURTNEY, and Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia.
H.R. 647: Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. SCOTT of Georgia, and Mr. ROSE of New York.
H.R. 649: Ms. LOFOPEN and Ms. SPEEER.
H.R. 653: Mr. Himes and Mr. PALLONE.
H.R. 669: Mr. CUNSIRO.
H.R. 677: Mr. GUDAILVA, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. PALLONE, and Ms. VELAZQUEZ.
H.R. 683: Mr. TED Lieu of California, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, and Mr. SEHRANO.
H.R. 726: Mr. BLUMENAUER and Mr. GARAMENDI.
H.R. 732: Mr. CROW, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. NORCROSS, and Mr. KILDEE.
H.R. 737: Mr. BARRIN, Mr. CRENSHA, Mr. STAUBER, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, and Mr. YOHIO.
H.R. 763: Mr. MALINOWSKI and Mr. SITZE.
H.R. 801: Mr. ROSE of New York, Mr. RESCHENTHALER, Ms. GABR ind, Mr. COLE, Mr. KILMER, Mr. STIVERS, Mrs. HARTZLER, and Mr. PHILLIPS.
H.R. 810: Ms. BROWNL EXLY of California, Mr. CARBAJAL, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, and Ms. MATSU.
H.R. 843: Mr. CROW.
H.R. 838: Mr. SKAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Ms. FUDOE, Mr. GIBBS, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, and Mr. FLORES.
H.R. 850: Mr. RESCHENTHALER.
H.R. 864: Mr. CASE and Mr. KATKO.
H.R. 865: Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. PHILIPS, Mrs. AXNE, Mrs. KIEFKATTICK, and Mr. MINOWSKI.
H.R. 873: Mr. SKAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York.
H.R. 878: Mrs. AXNE, Ms. SPEEER, and Mr. GARcia of Illinois.
H.R. 884: Mr. GOLDEN.
H.R. 915: Mr. SKAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Ms. MATSU, and Mr. SMITH of Washington.
H.R. 943: Mr. YARMUTH, Ms. BONAMICI, and Mrs. McCaTH.
H.R. 946: Mrs. MURPHY and Mr. SARBANES.
H.R. 962: Mr. TIPTON.
H.R. 1001: Mr. GALLAGHER.
H.R. 1002: Mr. TIPTON, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. AGUILAR, Mr. WATKINS, and Mr. GOTTHEIMER.
H.R. 1004: Mrs. TRAHAN and Ms. JUDY CHU of California.
H.R. 1007: Mr. BUD, Mr. FOCAN, Mr. ABRAHAM, and Ms. SHEWELL of Alabama.
H.R. 1008: Mr. VAN DREW.
H.R. 1030: Ms. LEE of Nevada.
H.R. 1032: Mr. CUMMINGS and Mr. LOWENTHAL.
H.R. 1056: Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mr. CROW, Ms. MALINOWSKI.
H.R. 1058: Mrs. WALTERS, Mr. SCHIFF, Ms. LOFOPEN, Mr. RYAN, Ms. MATSU, Ms. WATERS, and Mr. KENNEDY.
H.R. 1066: Mr. KENNEL, Mr. KIM, Mr. KAPUR, and Mr. PANTERR.
H.R. 1070: Mr. HASTINGS and Ms. WEXTON.
H.R. 1071: Ms. NORTON and Mr. HASTINGS.
H.R. 1073: Mr. LUZAN.
H.R. 1081: Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. COOK, and Mr. HARRIS.
H.R. 1086: Mr. WATSON COLEMAN.
H.R. 1111: Mr. CLAY and Ms. NORTON.
H.R. 1136: Mr. PAYNE and Mr. LUBIANA.
H.R. 1139: Ms. BARRAGAN, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. VAN DREW, and Mr. LYNCH.
H.R. 1155: Mr. TIPTON, Mr. CASTER of Illoinois, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 1175: Mr. LUCKETT, Mr. McNERNEY, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, Mr. RATCLIFFE, Mr. YOUNG, Ms. CHERRY, Mr. BOST, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. UPTON, Ms. MURPHY, and Mr. RESCHENTHALER.
H.R. 1179: Mr. DELGAUDIO.
H.R. 1186: Mr. HIME.
H.R. 1225: Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. CROW, and Mr. MALINOWSKI.
H.R. 1236: Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. WENTON, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. NADLER, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. MCCaITH, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. SKAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Ms. BARRAGAN, Ms. MATSU, Ms. WILD, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. HASTINGS, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. HALL, Ms. BLUMENAUER, Ms. SPRIHR, Mr. LANGEVIN, and Mr. ROYBAL-ALLARD.
H.R. 1237: Mr. LOWENTHAL.
H.R. 1244: Mr. MUIR-McDOUGAL.
H.R. 1254: Mr. RASKIN.
H.R. 1255: Ms. HAALAND and Mr. AGUILAR.
The Senate met at 2:09 and 57 seconds p.m. and was called to order by the Honorable MARSHA BLACKBURN, a Senator from the State of Tennessee.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

The bill clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable MARSHA BLACKBURN, a Senator from the State of Tennessee, to perform the duties of the Chair.

CHUCK GRASSLEY,
President pro tempore.

Mrs. BLACKBURN thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2019, AT 3 P.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 3 p.m. on Monday, March 25, 2019.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 2:10 and 34 seconds p.m., adjourned until Monday, March 25, 2019, at 3 p.m.
HONORING SUE MERRILL CRAWFORD ANTLE
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. PANETTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Sue Merrill Crawford Antle, the matriarch of the central coast of California’s Antle family. Sue will be remembered as a devoted mother and wife, talented sewing artist, and active supporter of her community.

Sue Antle was born on February 23, 1936 in Watsonville, California. A native of the Central Coast, Sue attended Watsonville High School, where she met Bob Antle. The two would eventually enjoy 58 years of marriage together.

Sue and Bob would remain on the Central Coast throughout their lives, establishing even deeper roots in their community. As Bob managed his family’s lettuce company, Sue tended to the family home and raised their four children. Sue could often be found in her home’s sewing room, where she created beautiful and precious keepsakes for her family, friends, and community. These pieces included Christmas stockings for her entire family and colorful jackets frequently auctioned for charity.

Sue and Bob’s family on the Central Coast continued to grow to include her children’s spouses, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and nieces and nephews. Sue’s beloved family was a foundation for her life and a blessing that guided her desire to give back to her community. Sue co-chaired California State University Monterey Bay’s Have a Heart fundraiser for student scholarships and, as an avid booklover, took joy in reading to children through the Monterey County Reads program established by the Panetta Institute for Public Policy. Sue was a passionate advocate for the children of field workers and leaves a legacy of fostering early childhood education and supporting first-generation college students.

Sue will be remembered for unfailing kindness and generosity. We, as a community, celebrate her legacy and life well-lived. Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in honoring the life of Sue Merrill Crawford Antle.

HONORING MICHAEL MIKULKA
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the distinguished career of Michael Mikulka, who is retiring after 43 years of distinguished service at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and after serving as President of AFGE Local 704. Mike was recently awarded “Man of the Year” honors by AFGE District 7 for his fight to save the EPA Region 5 office and the jobs of the scientists and engineers who protect the Midwest. He helped protect our environment and fought for the rights of EPA workers over his more than four decades of work at the EPA, and I honor and thank him for his important work.

Michael Mikulka started his career at the Environmental Protection Agency in November 1976 in the Water Division at EPA’s Region 5 Chicago, Illinois Office, where he first helped municipalities receive grants under the Clean Water Act (CWA) to install wastewater treatment plant systems. He then enforced the Clean Water Act, taking charge of the Region’s CWA enforcement, bringing cases in civil court for injunctive relief and penalties against polluters dumping toxins into our lakes and streams. Mike then moved to the EPA Region 5 Land and Chemicals Division, where he was charged with cleaning up complicated hazardous waste sites in communities throughout the Midwest.

As part of his career at EPA, Mike received numerous commendations, awards and medals attesting to his superior service to the region. Mike has been a Professional Engineer for over 35 years and was recently elected a life member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, where he has been a member for over 40 years. Some of the significant projects Mike worked on at EPA include:

- Participating on an inter-agency task force which developed an approach to clean up the Combined Sewer Overflows in the Twin Cities; Helping develop the Region 5 Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) control strategy, much of which was later incorporated into the national CSO control strategy;
- Leading an interagency task force to develop a strategy to clean up the Grand Calumet River, the most polluted river in the Great Lakes region;
- Bringing and resolving cases against those polluting the Great Lakes, as Chief of Clean Water Act (CWA) enforcement officer for Illinois, Indiana and Minnesota;
- While he was the EPA Region 5 head of CWA enforcement, the region consistently led the nation in environmental enforcement with respect to numbers of cases, penalties collected, and environmental benefit;
- Helping EPA Region 5’s Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Branch become the regional enforcement contact on the RCRA hazardous waste air emissions standards and conducted training nationwide for EPA, states and industry;
- Providing technical assistance to regional staff to develop and prosecute cases against fuel blenders and other treatment, storage and disposal facilities who were not meeting the RCRA air emissions standards;
- Working on significant hazardous waste cleanup projects across the Region, including active and closed steel mills in northwest Indiana and Ohio;
- Cleaning up arsenic and other contamination from the Menominee River, resulting in an ability to de-list the river as a Great Lakes Area of Concern.

As a Member of Congress, I have personally worked with Mike and have observed his endless dedication to the environment and to the hard-working employees of the EPA. Mike will be remembered for his important work protecting the environment in the region, for his leadership in AFGE Local 704, and for his support of the EPA and its wonderful staff. He will be missed.

IN HONOR OF THE 2018-2019 AAAA STATE CHAMPIONS: THE CARVER TIGERS GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.
OF GEORGIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the undefeated 2018-2019 AAAA Girls Basketball Georgia State Champions, the George Washington Carver High School Tigers of Columbus, Georgia. The team commemorated this significant milestone on Sunday, March 17, 2019, with a celebratory parade followed by a celebration of honor at the Columbus Civic Center.

On Friday, March 8, 2019, the Tigers won the state championship game against the Spalding Jaguars by a score of 56–44. This historic victory marked the first championship and undefeated season for the Tigers, after coming up short in three Final Fours and two state championships. The team placed No. 1 in the MaxPreps AAAA Girls Basketball rankings for Region 1 and have won all but two of their previous 31 games this season by double digits.

Their victory in this year’s AAAA state championship follows years of frustration, hard work, and determination bursting forth into an unbelievable season of teamwork and athletic excellence. The perseverance of these Tigers, after coming so close the past two seasons, including a 58–57 overtime loss to rival Columbus High in the 2017 finals, was shown this year in their exciting victory. Moreover, the team completed this spectacular season with an astonishing overall win-loss record of 33–0.

I cannot put into words the tremendous pride that the citizens of Columbus, and indeed the entire Second Congressional District, have in being able to call this outstanding team of athletes their own. They have accomplished an incredible feat, one that could not have been possible without the tireless leadership and encouragement from their head coach, Anson Hundley and his staff, as well as their families, classmates, and members of the community who believed in them and their ability to bring home a state championship title.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join my wife, Vivian, and me, along with the more
than 730,000 people of Georgia’s Second Congressional District in congratulating and honoring these hardworking young women who have persevered, sacrificed, and achieved the pinnacle of success in basketball—the Georgia AAAA State Championship title.

HONORING MR. RAFAEL B. CRUZ ON HIS 80TH BIRTHDAY

HON. KENNY MARCHANT OF TEXAS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. MARCHANT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize my constituent, Mr. Rafael B. Cruz for his 80th birthday on March 22nd. A man of strong faith and uncompromising willpower, Rafael embodies the meaning of persistence, and serves as a leading example of what the American Dream can look like with enough hard work and an unwavering belief in the prospect of liberty.

Born in Cuba under the oppressive Batista regime, Rafael experienced assault and imprisonment as a teenager for taking an active stance against the injustices he witnessed. In search of a better life, he left his home at the age of eighteen to pursue a degree in higher education, and arrived in Austin, Texas where he studied Mathematics and Chemical Engineering. While in school, he worked seven days a week for fifty cents an hour until he obtained his degree in 1961. In addition to his obligations as a student, Rafael maintained strong ties with his community in Cuba and advocated against the abuses of the newly empowered Castro forces.

A family man by the early 1960s, Rafael balanced his new career in the energy industry with raising two daughters and his son, current Texas Senator, Ted Cruz. Rafael moved to Houston with his family to work and found a lasting home in the state Texas. Today, he resides in my district, in the City of Carrollton, where he is a pastor, a supportive father and grandfather, and an exemplary member of our community.

Madam Speaker, it is a pleasure to recognize the inspiring life story of Rafael Cruz, who has fought for freedom, family and faith for all of his life, and whose contributions to our country will continue to make a mark on the character of our American spirit. I ask all of my distinguished colleagues to join me in wishing a very happy 80th birthday to Mr. Rafael Cruz.

CONGRATULATING MR. MATTHEW ANTHONY OF CARBON COUNTY

HON. DANIEL MEUSER OF PENNSYLVANIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. MEUSER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate and congratulate Mr. Matthew Anthony of Palmerton, Pennsylvania. Matthew proudly represents Carbon County at the North American Special Olympics in Las Vegas, Nevada, and was named the Special Olympics North American Unified Gold Medalist in bowling.

Matthew competes with his father, Christopher, and they are the first Special Olympics unified team from Carbon County, as well as the first bowling team from our area to make it to the national competition. Matthew has been actively involved with the Special Olympics since the Carbon County delegation was established fourteen years ago and has competed in a variety of different sports in addition to bowling, including floor hockey, track and field and bocce. Matthew is a strong competitor and a positive voice for all members of the vibrant Special Olympics community and the Borough of Pennsylvania’s Ninth Congressional District.

In his free time, Matthew works at his family business in Palmerton, plays video games, and enjoys restoring his 1987 Oldsmobile Custom Cruiser Wood Panel Station Wagon. Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives join me in congratulating Matthew for his many achievements and outstanding legacy of continued sportsmanship and wish him continued success in all his future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF REUEL WALTERS

HON. BRIAN BABIN OF TEXAS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. BABIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize World War II veteran Reuel Walters for his service to the United States of America. Reuel was born at home in Livingston, Texas on January 16, 1925. A midwife attended to his mother. One of six children, at the age of eighteen, Reuel was drafted and courageously answered the call to serve and defend his country in the United States Army. Reuel completed his basic training in San Antonio, Texas and deployed as a radio control repairman.

From 1941 to 1945, Reuel served in the Solomon Islands, Bougainville Island, Sipan Island and the central region of the Enola Gay before it dropped the bomb on Hiroshima, Japan. Reuel was in Guam when he heard the announcement over a loudspeaker that the war had ended.

After his time in the service, Reuel worked as a lineman for thirty-six years at Houston Light & Power. In 1985, he retired and moved to Livingston, Texas.

Madam Speaker, it is because of the sacrifices made by men and women like Reuel Walters that we are able to enjoy the freedoms that we hold so dear. Let us not forget the sacrifices made by men and women like Reuel Walters.

Mr. MARCHANT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to thank Chief Bill John Baker of the Cherokee Nation for his many years of service to the Cherokee people and our community. Chief Baker’s service to the Cherokee Nation and the state of Oklahoma has touched the lives of many, whether acting in the capacity of Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, as a Cherokee Tribal Council, as PTA President, as President of the Tahlequah Chamber of Commerce, or as the coach of local youth sports teams.

Personally, my wife Tammy and I can attest to Chief Bill John Baker’s dedication to community by our mutual involvement in the Ronald McDonald House Charities. When we first moved to Muskogee Oklahoma, Tammy called Chief Baker to bring his attention to the Cherokee Nation’s Ronald McDonald House—roughly 1/3rd of the House’s inhabitants are Cherokee citizens. Without hesitation, Chief Baker stepped up to the plate and asked—how much money does Ronald McDonald House need?

Chief Baker’s accomplishments have been heralded by his colleagues and neighbors alike. The town of Okay is grateful for the Veterans Monument project that Chief Baker spearheaded. People will recognize countless times that he expedited housing assistance for disabled and elderly Cherokee citizens. Chief Baker’s friends, neighbors, and those who
may not have had the pleasure of knowing him will benefit for years to come because of the extra first response vehicles that he helped secure for the Fire Department and the drivers education cars that he worked to provide for the local schools.

All these amazing things that Chief Bill John Baker had a hand in, ultimately help raise awareness of the Cherokee people and their presence in Northeastern Oklahoma. I congratulate Chief Baker on his retirement, as it is well deserved.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF HENRY P. "CORKY" ANDERSON III

HON. KEVIN MCCARTHY
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. McCARTHY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Henry P. "Corky" Anderson III who passed away on February 23, 2019 at the age of 76. A lifelong Tulare County resident, Corky, as he was affectionately known, was a renowned trailblazer in the pistachio industry.

Corky's passion for farming began at age 13 when he spent his days hauling hay for nearby farmers. As the years went on he mastered his craft while working up and down the Pacific coast throughout California and Oregon. Corky was also a problem solver. The California pistachio industry has historically suffered due to a soil-borne fungus known as verticillium wilt that kills thousands of trees each year before they are mature enough for commercial production. Along with his business partner Ken Puryear, Corky developed a pistachio rootstock resistant to verticillium wilt. This development was nothing short of revolutionary, and California's current status as the largest pistachio producer in the world can largely be attributed to his hard work.

But Corky was involved in much more than just pistachios. Ever the family man, he, along with his brother Doug Anderson and sister Debi Mitchell, founded AMA Pistachio Farming and AMA Properties where they grew everything from sugarbeets to cotton, invested in a gold mine in Oregon, and diversified into office and AMA Properties where they grew every- thing from sugarbeets to cotton, invested in a gold mine in Oregon, and diversified into office

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Captain Lewis was a patriot who proudly served his country. He had been stationed in Afghanistan, South Korea and Canada. He had an adventuresome and free spirit and was filled with wonder and curiosity about other people and cultures.

While he was raised in Matteson, he belonged to the world.

He, like many others, went to Africa to offer hope and opportunity to others through mission work. As called to do by St. James, he put his faith into actions and deeds that uplifted others and worked to build a better world.

The entire Second District mourn this tremendous loss to our community.

As we grieve with his family and friends, we are comforted by the knowledge that he did fulfill his desire to make the world a better place—by the love he gave to every person and mission that he encountered.

REMEMBERING THE LATE U.S. ARMY CAPTAIN ANTOINE LEWIS

HON. ROBIN L. KELLY
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Ms. KELLY of Illinois. Madam Speaker, I rise to remember the late U.S. Army Captain Antoine Lewis of Matteson, IL in the Second Congressional District.

I was saddened to learn that Captain Lewis was among the 157 people killed in the tragic plane crash in Ethiopia on March 10th.

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HONORING MS. MELISSA ANTONOFF ON BEING NAMED BURLINGTON COUNTY’S TEACHER OF THE YEAR BY THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

HON. ANDY KIM OF NEW JERSEY
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. KIM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Melissa Antinoff, a devoted educator who has helped shape the minds of New Jersey’s youth throughout her 19 years as a public school teacher. Ms. Antinoff was recently named Burlington County’s Teacher of the Year by the New Jersey Department of Education for her tireless work as a 3rd grade teacher at Ashbrook Elementary School.

Passionate from an early age about working with and educating children, Ms. Antinoff has developed a classroom environment that fosters innovation, creativity, and self-confidence within her students. Ms. Antinoff recognizes the importance of reading to developing a child’s sense of confidence and therefore strongly encourages independent reading in her classroom. She credits this practice with instilling in her students greater self-esteem and willingness to take risks in their other areas of study. Ms. Antinoff’s colleagues praise her for her ingenious ability to integrate interdisciplinary elements, such as music, into her classroom as well as her eagerness to take risks in her instruction methods including granting her students the independence to work and learn collaboratively in small groups.

Ms. Antinoff is a prime example of the kind of teacher who goes above and beyond to ensure that the well-being of the entire student, including his or her emotional and mental needs are attended to just as much as his or her academic needs. Above all else, she wants her students to have the confidence to enjoy school and feel safe and secure there so that they can learn and grow creatively. For these reasons, I am proud to honor Ms. Antinoff for her efforts and sincerely thank her for the positive influence she has had on countless students throughout her distinguished career.

RECOGNIZING BEN FERENCZ

HON. THEODORE E. DEUTCH
OF FLORIDA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. DEUTCH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Ben Ferencz. Ben is the last living Nuremberg prosecutor and is also celebrated as the world’s greatest authority on war crimes. He entered many Nazi concentration camps as they were liberated and the horrors he saw made an indelible impression. When he returned home, he was recruited by General Telford Taylor to return to Germany to help in the additional war crimes trials.

He was appointed Chief Prosecutor in what was aptly described as the biggest murder trial in history—the “Einsatzgruppen case.” All 22 defendants, including six SS Generals, were convicted of murdering over a million innocent men, women, and children. Ben was 27 years old and it was his first case.

Since then, Ben has dedicated much of his life to seeking compensation for victims and trying to prevent illegal war-making. He became a self-appointed personal lobbyist for peace, with countless lectures, publications, and speeches at many universities and in countries around the world.

Madam Speaker, today I am pleased to honor Mr. Ben Ferencz and his service to his country, his community, and the world. Happy Birthday to Ben.

RECOGNIZING DR. ROBERT DANN ON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Robert Dann, a beloved family man, a pillar of his community, and a lauded veterinarian, in celebration of his recent retirement. A 1979 graduate of the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine, Dr. Dann shortly thereafter became an owner and director of Blum Animal Hospital, a mainstay of Chicago’s Lakeview neighborhood. Over the course of four decades, Dr. Dann has served countless animals and their owners from across the city, seeing firsthand time and again the power for good that pets can be. After transitioning from several roles within the hospital to spend more time with his family, Dr. Dann has remained practicing until today.

Ever since I was a kid visiting the Lincoln Park Zoo for the first time, a love for animals has been a through-line of my entire life. Since coming to Congress, I’ve had the privilege of defending endangered species and working on key animal protection issues; however, I’ve never forgotten just how much joy my family’s own furry friend, our dog Scout, has brought us over the years.

Without caring and committed veterinarians like Dr. Dann, millions of pet owners across the country just like myself would not have the same happy memories that I do. Dr. Dann’s work has been repeatedly recognized, including when he was named one of Chicago’s top veterinarians. Beyond his contributions to the city’s canine and feline populations, Dr. Dann has remained engaged in his community, sitting on the boards of two charitable foundations. Through his decades-long commitment to the veterinary medicine profession, and his work to support others in his community, Dr. Dann truly is the best of our neighborhoods and our city.

I thoroughly congratulate Dr. Dann on his forty-year career, on behalf of myself and the thousands of animals he has cared for along the way.

HONORING MS. DELINA RODRIGUES OF CARBON COUNTY

HON. DANIEL MEUSER
OF PENNSYLVANIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. MEUSER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Ms. Delina Rodrigues of Carbon County, who represented the United States at the Special Olympics World Games in the United Arab Emirates. Delina took home three medals from the games: a bronze medal in the bench press competition and two gold medals in the deadlift and overall lifting events.

Delina’s success at the Special Olympics is the result of her many years of hard work and dedication to power lifting and track and field events. Having competed in various sports for Carbon County’s Special Olympics Organization for fourteen years, she continues to exhibit great mental strength, athletic skill, and sportsmanship as she competes on the global stage.

In addition to her outstanding athletic accomplishments, Delina is also a graduate of Carbon County Technical Institute. She is a great representation of the values we hold dear in Pennsylvania’s Ninth District: courage, enthusiasm, and perseverance.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives join me in celebrating Delina’s remarkable achievements and wishing her continued success in all her future endeavors and competitions.

HONORING LYNDA RESNICK FOR RECEIVING THE BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE FOUNDATION INDIVIDUAL PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR AWARD

HON. KEVIN MCCARTHY
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. MCCARTHY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize Mrs. Lynda Resnick as the recipient of the 2019 Bakersfield College Foundation Individual Philanthropist of the Year Award. Lynda is the vice-chair and co-owner of The Wonderful Company, a global powerhouse known for its iconic brands like Wonderful Pistachios, Wonderful Halos, POM Wonderful, and FIJI Water, among many others.

An exceptional marketer, Lynda dropped out of college at the age of 19 to open her own advertisement agency. It was there that she met Stewart Resnick, who initially sought her services as a client for his janitorial business. The two later married and purchased a parcel of California Central Valley farmland in 1978, and the rest is history. Today, Lynda oversees worldwide marketing operations for the Wonderful Company, and is renowned for the creativity and innovation she brings to the company. Under her supervision, the Wonderful Company developed a rich culture of giving back to the community. On average, the
Ms. SEWELL of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the Inaugural Convocation and Investiture of Dr. Lily D. McNair as the 8th President of Tuskegee University and the first woman to ever serve as President in the University's storied 136-year history. Prior to her appointment at Tuskegee, Dr. McNair served for nearly seven years as Provost and senior vice academic for affairs at Wagner College—a private college of 2,200 students located in Staten Island, New York.

Dr. McNair grew up in Brown's Mills, New Jersey and is the eldest of four children. She is the daughter of a Japanese seamstress and construction worker who migrated to America, and aMALUS, and is the eldest of four children. She is the daughter of a Japanese seamstress and construction worker who migrated to America, and a


developed sensitivity and a deep understanding of the importance of access to higher education. Dr. McNair is a testament to the power of education and the ability of individuals to overcome barriers and achieve their goals.

In recognition of the National Community Development Association's 50th Anniversary

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER
OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the National Community Development Association (NCDA). Since its genesis in 1969, the NCDA has been a pillar of support for cities and counties across the country, including the Fifth Congressional District of Missouri.

The NCDA is a nonprofit organization that was established to assist cities across the nation in administering the new U.S. Housing and Urban Development funds and programs created through President Johnson's Model Cities Program. In doing so, they rose to help address some of the greatest challenges facing communities, including housing opportunities, educational disparities, and economic opportunities. The NCDA's commitment to providing affordable housing, quality education, and comprehensive community services has been instrumental in enhancing the quality of life for citizens across the country.

Moreover, as an integral part of the NCDA model, they respect diversity and inclusion in leadership as a fundamental part of effective leadership. Throughout their fifty years of service, the organization sought to represent diversified backgrounds and individualized expertise. They continue to include a wide variety of organizations and individual voices as we collectively search for solutions to urban difficulties and discover ways to implement greater equity in housing as time moves forward. These voices are brought to national attention each year at the National Community Development Week hosted by the NCDA. This annual conference educates Members of Congress on the achievements of federal programs such as HOME and CDBG so that these programs can continue to address a need for affordable housing and community development.

Today, NCDA membership has grown to include over 400 separate cities and counties. These organizations and governments represented across that vast membership continue to carry out a centralized goal and purpose. As they have been since day one, the NCDA continues to serve as a united, national institution to provide services and support for local governments and policy makers as they work on critical federal community development and housing programs.

Madam Speaker, please join with Missouri's Fifth congressional district in honoring the National Community Development Association for their remarkable achievements over the span of fifty years across the nation and in our own community. We stand to celebrate their indelible mark on our society.
Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today along with my colleague, Mr. Cox, to honor the life of Sardul Singh Sihota, who passed away on March 5, 2019 at the age of 77. Throughout his life, Sardul was known for his contribution to the agriculture industry, his involvement with the Central Valley Sikh American community, and his role in establishing the first Sikh Temple in Selma, California.

Sardul was born on May 15, 1941 in Bara Pind, District Jalandhar, India to Assa Singh and Amar Kaur Singh. Sardul immigrated to Yuba City, California in 1961 to start a new chapter in his life and create a prosperous foundation for his family. Having been raised on a farm in India, Sardul moved to Selma, California, where he began to grow raisin grapes and continue his family's tradition of farming. Two years later, Sardul bought his first piece of property in Selma, which his family continues to live on today.

As one of the first Sikh Indians to live in Selma in the mid-1960s, Sardul had a desire to help other families immigrate to the Central Valley for a better life. He assisted many families by sharing his knowledge about the immigration process and acclimating to the life in the U.S. As a result, Selma became the new home to thousands of Sikh American families.

As the Sikh community continued to grow and flourish, Sardul noticed the lack of temples close by where families could worship, celebrate, and mourn. He worked with his friends to build Selma's first Sikh Temple in 1987.

Sardul is survived by his parents, his wife Jitendra, two daughters, Gurdeep Hebert and Harroop, and three sons, Paul, Simon, and Navjot, along with a host of extended family and friends.

Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that we ask our colleagues to join us in honoring the life of Sardul Singh Sihota and the great legacy that he leaves behind. Sardul will be remembered by his community for his generosity, hard work, and commitment to his friends and family. With all the relationships that he has forged along his journey, his memory will be forever remembered.

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 2018–2019 Georgia State Class A Public-School Basketball Champions: The Marion County Lady Eagles of Buena Vista, Georgia. The team commemorated this significant milestone on Thursday, March 21, 2019, with a celebration of honor at Marion County High School in Buena Vista, Georgia.

On Wednesday, March 6, 2019, fans at the Macon Coliseum observed as the Lady Eagles won the state championship game against the Calhoun County Cougars by a score of 50–38. The Lady Eagles overpowered their opponents (with a rebound total of 40–to–27) and made 21 of 30 free throws. This victory marked the end of a long hard work. The team has been ranked No. 1 for the entirety of the 2018–2019 season with an unbelievable 29–1 win-loss record. This championship game also marks a remarkable comeback for the Lady Eagles, who lost last year's game to the Greenville girls’ basketball team by a score of 73–52.

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Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mr. Michael T. Tierney on concluding a lengthy and illustrious career with the City of Chicago and with Plumbers Local 130 UA.

Mr. Tierney was born in 1935 to his parents, John (Jack), a former Union and City of Chicago Hoisting Engineer/Crane Operator, and Beverly Tierney. Mr. Tierney also has four siblings, Jack (Cheri), Marilyn (Bill) Haugh, Patti (Chuck) Addesso, and Brian.

Mr. Tierney began his career in 1975 as a laborer in the City of Chicago's Water Department; in 1986, he was promoted to Foreman, and just four years later, Mr. Tierney was again promoted, this time to District Foreman for the Department.

In 1995, Mr. Tierney became the Assistant Superintendent of Water Distribution, where he assisted the Superintendent in overseeing construction for the entire district. In this role, he had the opportunity to serve for six months as interim Superintendent for the Department. Shortly thereafter, Mr. Tierney officially took over as the District Superintendent of Water Distribution and Sewers for the City of Chicago.

In 2012 with more than thirty-five years of experience in his field, Mr. Tierney became the Director of Political and Municipal Affairs for Plumbers Local 130 UA, the same organization from which he earned his education in plumbing twenty-eight years prior. In this position, Mr. Tierney represented all Local 130 employees at the City, County and State levels. He also negotiated all Local 130 contracts for the City of Chicago and Cook County.

Mr. Tierney would be the first to tell you that his family is his first priority; they are the loves of his life. He has been married to his wife, Kathy McMans, since 2003. Mr. Tierney has two children; his daughter, Colleen Scorla, married to her husband, Matt, and Michael, married to his wife, Kasey. They have four grandchildren, Benjamin, Olivia, Reagan, and Micaela, as well as one on the way in just a few weeks. I am pleased that his retirement...
will offer him the opportunity to spend more quality time with those closest to him.

As Mr. Tierney retires from Plumbers Local 130 UA on March 31, 2019 after 30 years of service, I ask you to join me in recognizing his distinguished career.

HAPPY SESQUICENTENNIAL—CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF THE WEST POINT ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATES

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. SHIMKUS. Madam Speaker, I rise to include in the RECORD an article by Keith J. Hamel honoring the 150th Anniversary of the West Point Association of Graduates.

On May 22, 2019, the West Point Association of Graduates will turn 150 years old. Think about it—one hundred and fifty years! When “the Association,” as it used to be known, held its first organizational meeting in the office of Dr. Horace Webster, Class of 1818, President of the College of the City of New York, the light bulb had yet to be invented; the telephone had not been patented; the U.S. flag had only 37 stars; and the main machine gun, dynamite, and the torpedo were less than a decade old.

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Take the Association’s first public act after above a committee of 13 graduates, chaired by Webster, met on June 16, 1869 and drafted the constitution and bylaws for the new Association. Soon after, the committee mailed the constitution to all graduates: 128 joined (more of than 1,350 living graduates), including three former Confederate officers: Richard S. Ewell, Class of 1840; Nathan B. Forrest, Class of 1843; and Nathan I. Chambiss, Class of 1856. In fact, Ewell sent a letter back with his dues stating, “I cannot think that any graduate of the Academy would, unless blinded by prejudices, decline to aid the work of reuniting . . . a bond broken asunder by civil discord and treason.”

Ewell’s words seem to be as much for the graduates as for a public he felt may still be wary of the future political intentions of West Point graduates. He then took his last (and longest) address to graduates, termed treason by many antagonists. He said in the opening of his dissertation, “Let us remember that the nation which sustains and has spread its mantle over this institution, expects from every graduate, at all times, and wheresoever he may be, the full measure of his duty.” Then in his last (and longest) address to graduates, commemorating the centennial of the Battle of Bunker Hill (1775), Davies said, “the [Association] faced and weathered a series of dangerous attacks designed to destroy its existence.

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lauded the accomplishments of West Point itself through its graduates. “We behold, also, a great Institution,” he said in his 1875 address, “…scattering science and knowledge through the world, which seemed to be the primary aim of the institu-
tion.” Cullum's philosophy for the institution went beyond science and knowledge, aiming for a broader impact on society. He believed in the importance of education and advocated for the continuation of thelarından of West Point.

Cullum had been Chairman of the Thayer Monument Committee, which was established at the June 12, 1873 annual meeting, and was instrumental in bringing Thayer’s remains to West Point at that time. He was the driving force behind the project, overseeing the construction of the monument, and was known as the “Father of the Father of the Modern Military School.”

Cullum was also a strong advocate for the education of women and had established the first women’s college in the United States, Vassar College. He believed that education could be a powerful tool for social change and was a strong supporter of women’s rights and education.

In 1877, Cullum was given the Order of the Indian Head, the highest honor given by the United States Army, in recognition of his contributions to the military and education.

Cullum’s legacy at West Point is evident in the many buildings and avenues named in his honor, as well as in the many awards and scholarships established in his name. His dedication to education and his belief in the power of science and knowledge have left a lasting impact on the military and educational communities.

Cullum was known for his dedication to his family and his community, and he was remembered as a man of great integrity and honor. He passed away in 1893, but his legacy lives on through the many achievements of those he inspired and the contributions he made to the world of education and military service.
be President, and he was unanimously elect-
ed (ironically, Greene was also the oldest
graduate on the Association’s membership
roll). Then, at the 1900 Annual Reunion, the
Executive Committee voted to amend the
Bylaws so that initiation fees were reduced
from a one-time $10 payment to an initial $2
fee with an additional $1 paid each subse-
quent year for the next decade. The prorated
fee cycle spurred growth in new membership.
In 1898, only three graduates elected to pay
the prescribed $10 initiation fee; in 1902,
more than 70 of the New Jersey Department
of Education’s teacher graduates returned to
West Point for the annual alumni reunion.

During the dedication of Cullom Hall, ALEXANDER S. WEBB, Class of 1855, who was
present in Webster’s office at the original
May 22, 1869 meeting, looked back on that
distinctive building and gave a brief account of
the organization of the Association. No records
exist of his remarks, but it is easy to imag-
ine he would have said that the 15 graduates
who gathered to form an “Association of the
Graduates of the U.S. Military Academy
would probably add that, 31 years later, their
idea had figuratively and literally found a
home, that more and more graduates were
coming back to that home each year, and
that the Association was continuing to pro-
mote the social intercourse and fraternal fel-
loship of United States Military Academy.

HONORING MR. BILL SMITH ON
BEING NAMED OCEAN COUNTY’S
TEACHER OF THE YEAR BY THE
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION

HON. ANDY KIM
OF NEW JERSEY
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. KIM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to
recognize Mr. Bill Smith, a dedicated and en-
thusiastic educator who has worked as a pub-
ic school teacher for the past 11 years and
was recently named Ocean County’s Teacher
of the Year by the New Jersey Department
of Education for his work as a Social Studies
Teacher. Mr. Smith has demonstrated
his dedication to his students and the
community, and commend him on his kind-
ness and generosity.

A testament to his educational efforts, Mr.
Smith has been published in academic, peer-
reviewed journals as well as awarded various
summer learning grants.

Perhaps the most telling testament to Mr.
Smith’s life and career, is the informal con-
versations with his students that reveal that
dedication to teaching is a deep and genuine
excitement for his class. Mr. Smith’s work
as an educator thus far serves as a
great example to teachers throughout the
country regarding the power of applying
dynamic instruction and building strong, positive
relationships with students. I thank Mr. Smith
for his service to our nation’s young people
and congratulate him on his well-deserved
recognition as Ocean County Teacher of the
Year.

HON. CHERI BUSTOS
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today
to recognize Mr. Shaun Livingston for his will-
ingness to invest in the Peoria community
where he grew up. Mr. Livingston is a 31-year-
old point guard for the National Basketball
Association’s Golden State Warriors.

Mr. Livingston recently made a one-million-
dollar donation to his elementary school,
Concordia Lutheran School, in Peoria, Illinois.
The veteran point guard’s generosity will be
put towards expanding the school. Specifically,
the expansion will consist of a performance
stage for band and theater, a renovated gym,
new offices and locker rooms and a storm
shelter. As a former athlete, I understand the
amount of hard work and commitment it takes
to have a career as successful as Mr. Living-
ston’s. I am grateful for his passion to give
back to the community and am confident his
selfless actions will help provide young stu-
dents with the opportunity to succeed. His
leadership demonstrates to kids everywhere
that they too can follow their ambitions and
reach their goals.

Dedicated leaders like Mr. Shaun Livingston
make me especially proud to serve Illinois’
17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I
would like to again formally thank Mr. Shaun
Livingston on his investment in the Peoria
community, and commend him on his kind-
ness and generosity.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF
DAVID DACKE

HON. BRIAN BABIN
OF TEXAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. BABIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to
express sincere gratitude to World War II vet-
eran, husband, and father, Mr. David Dacke.

David was born on September 11, 1927 in
Houston, Texas. As a child of the Great Depres-
sion, he was shown this year in their exciting victory.
Moreover, the team completed this spectac-
ular season with an astonishing overall win-
loss record of 32–0.

Their victory in this year’s state champion-
ship follows years of frustration, hard work,
and determination bursting forth into an in-
credible season of teamwork and athletic ex-
cellence. The perseverance of these Cougars
was shown this year in their exciting victory.
Moreover, the team completed this spectac-
ular season with an astonishing overall win-
loss record of 32–0.

I cannot put into words the tremendous
pride that the citizens of Edison, and indeed
the entire Second Congressional District, have
in being able to call this outstanding team of
athletes their own. They have accomplished
an incredible feat, one that could not have been
possible without the tireless leadership
and encouragement from their head coach,
Marcus Shaw, his staff, as well as their
friends, classmates, and members of the
community who believed in them and their ability to bring home a state championship title.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join my wife, Vivian, and me, along with the more than 730,000 people of Georgia's Second Congressional District in congratulating and honoring these hardworking young men who have persevered, sacrificed, and achieved the pinnacle of success in basketball— the Georgia Class A State Championship title.

HONORING THE GENERAL BAPTIST DEACONS ASSOCIATION

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2019

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing the Greater Baptist Deacons Association (GBDA) for its outstanding spiritual work in the District of Columbia. The GBDA has been an instrumental part of the faith community in the District for 100 years. The GBDA has supported spiritual development through meaningful Bible study, leadership training workshops, youth education opportunities and other community enriching efforts throughout the years. The GBDA has promoted social, economic and civic justice for all citizens and religious institutions.

In 1919, the GBDA was formed to unite the faith community across the Washington metro area, to more effectively spread Christian teachings and to provide quality community programs. In 1939, the members of the GBDA were instrumental in starting the National Baptist Deacons Convention, bringing together members of the spiritual community to better serve and strengthen the fellowship of church members.

The GBDA was instrumental in expanding spiritual leadership training across two dozen states and territories, providing a mechanism for spiritual leaders to share common experiences and offer support to various communities. Together with regional elected leaders, the GBDA helped raise awareness for national and social issues over the years, which led to changes in the nation's conscience.

The GBDA members and leaders have worked with various corporations and business entities to address issues such as homelessness, affordable housing and workers' rights. They have worked collaboratively with community partners on programs supporting civic, social and community development.

Madam Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to join me in celebrating the General Baptist Deacon Association on its 100th year of service to the District of Columbia.

HONORING STEWART RENSICK FOR RECEIVING THE BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE FOUNDATION INDIVIDUAL PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR AWARD

HON. KEVIN McCARTHY
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. McCARTHY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize Mr. Stewart Resnick as the recipient of the 2019 Bakersfield College Foundation Individual Philanthropist of the Year Award.

Stewart is the chairman and president of The Wonderful Company, a multi-billion dollar global company known for its iconic brands like Wonderful Pistachios, Wonderful Halos, POM Wonderful, and Fiji Water, to name a few.

The Wonderful Company empire began in 1978 when Stewart and his wife Lynda Resnick purchased a parcel of California Central Valley farmland. Since then, Stewart has overseen all financial, legal, real estate, strategy, human resources, and business operations for the company. Under his guidance, Wonderful has become so successful that every year, nearly half of all American households purchase their products.

The Wonderful Company has continuously given back to the communities where its employees live and work—contributing an average of $50 million annually to community development efforts, educational programs, and a comprehensive employee health and wellness program. Stewart has long been passionate about free market sustainability, and has made significant investments in sustainability research, including implementing advanced irrigation technologies, extensive solar installations at Wonderful facilities, and utilizing fuel cells to generate electricity without combustion or air pollution. Additionally, Stewart founded the Resnick Sustainability Institute at the California Institute of Technology (Caltech), which focuses on innovative science and engineering research to develop solutions to global energy challenges.

Even outside of The Wonderful Company, Stewart's philanthropy is far-reaching. Among his generous contributions are The Milken Institute's Lynda and Stewart Resnick Center for Public Health, the Stewart and Lynda Resnick Neuropsychiatric Hospital at the UCLA School of Medicine, the Resnick Program for Food Law & Policy at the UCLA School of Law, and the Lynda and Stewart Resnick Exhibition Pavilion at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art.

Stewart's generous philanthropic efforts make him a well-deserving recipient for the Bakersfield College Foundation Silver Medal, and I want to thank him for his many selfless contributions to the communities and citizens of the Central Valley.

RECOGNITION OF MAJOR SEAN M. DONOHUE

HON. DENNY HECK
OF WASHINGTON
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. HECK. Madam Speaker, today I recognize Major Sean M. Donohue of the United States Army for his extraordinary dedication to duty and service to our Nation. Major Donohue is a 2002 graduate of West Point and currently serves as the Command Surgeon for the Center for Initial Military Training at the US Army Training and Doctrine Command. This unit is the largest charged with training all initial entry Soldiers in the Army.

A native of Tacoma, WA, Sean began his military career after graduating from the University of Puget Sound, enlisting after the 9/11 attacks as a medic in 2002. Sean was commissioned in 2009, completed his clinical training as a Physician Assistant at Fort Carson and promptly deployed to Afghanistan as a Battalion Surgeon with the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team. Since then, Sean has served in numerous leadership and staff positions around the world. His wife is a dedicated military spouse, LeXey, and they have three boys: William, Jack and Maximus.

In 2017, Army Medicine selected Major Donohue to serve as Legislative Liaison to serve in the Army House Liaison Office. In his role as a legislative liaison, Major Donohue served as the primary liaison between Members of the 115th and 116th Congresses, their Staff, Legislative Committees, and the U.S. Army. In this role, he planned, coordinated, and accompanied Congressional and Staff Delegations on numerous worldwide fact-finding and investigative missions and built the relationships and trust needed to increase the trust and confidence the U.S. Congress has in the U.S. Army.

Madam Speaker, it is my honor to recognize the selfless service of Major Sean. Donohue and his family as they proceed to the next chapter in his remarkable career as they continue to serve our great Nation.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JOHN HENRY HAGGINS

HON. BONNIE WATSON COLEMAN
OF NEW JERSEY
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of John Henry Haggins, who passed away recently at 102 years of age.

John was born in Raleigh, NC on February 15, 1917 to Dorsey McAllister and William Haggins. John grew up in Raleigh with seven siblings and first moved to his eventual home, Washington, D.C., in the 1930s, following his older brothers to find work.

His natural skill and longevity led John to a long and storied career in engineering and construction. He worked with C.W. Freitag Construction Co. and George Hyman (now Clark) Construction Co., moving to cities in West Virginia, South Carolina and New York throughout that career. While his time in West Virginia was spent doing some of the hardest work of his professional life, it was well worth the effort when he met his future wife, Lorene Epps. The pair were married on September 14, 1945 after a long courtship and remained together until John's passing, raising four children in the Northeastern Washington, DC home that John would later build by hand.

After more than 30 years of hard and dedicated work, John retired from Clark Construction Co. as the Concrete Superintendent in 1987. He remained a member of the Operative Plasterers & Cement Masons, America's oldest building and construction trades international union.

Over the course of his 102 years, John and Lorene built a large and loving family that will continue to carry his legacy, including children Shirley, Phyllis Joann, Cynthia Jean, Pamela Francine, and John Anthony; five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.
Madam Speaker, I send my condolences to the family and friends of John Haggins. I ask that my colleagues join me in commemorating his incredible life and legacy. Rest in peace, John.

CELEBRATION OF THE GI BILL’S 75TH ANNIVERSARY AND ITS AUTHOR SENATOR ERNEST “MAC” MCFARLAND

HON. PAUL A. GOSAR
OF ARIZONA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. GOSAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today in celebration and honor for the 75th anniversary of the GI Bill as well as the bill’s co-author, the late Arizona Senator Ernest “Mac” McFarland. Officially titled the “Servicemen’s Readjustment Act of 1944,” the GI Bill provided a slew of benefits for veterans returning from World War II. These new benefits were available to every veteran who had been in active duty for ninety days and they continue to this day. The benefits bestowed onto our veterans include low-cost mortgages, low-interest loans, payments for tuition and living expenses to attend university college of vocational education, and one year of unemployment compensation. With this bill, we’ve been able to offer a small token of our gratitude to those who put their lives on the line in order to defend everything we hold dear. The assistance cemented in the GI Bill is thanks, in large part, to the former Majority Leader from Arizona Ernest McFarland. Mac’s accomplishments stretch far beyond his work on the GI Bill. As it stands today, he is the only person in Arizona’s history to have served as U.S. Senator, Governor of Arizona and Chief Justice of the Arizona Supreme Court. He was a leader for our state and his tireless efforts enabled so many wonderful opportunities for our uniformed men and women. I am proud to honor this man and his diligent work for our veterans.

CELEBRATING THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF READING AND BEYOND

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.
OF GEORGIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the local non-profit organization Reading and Beyond of Fresno, California as it celebrates its 20th anniversary. Since its founding, Reading and Beyond has earned the respect of both locally and nationally. In 2003, Fresno Unified School District praised Reading and Beyond as a “model for other organizations”. In the same year, it was chosen as one of only four organizations to receive national funding from the U.S. Department of Education to develop its Early Childhood Education program into a replicable model. In 2008, Kerri Briggs, the U.S. Department of Education Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, recognized Reading and Beyond as a “remarkable example of the impact that faith-based organizations have in a community”. In 2015, the U.S. Department of Agriculture awarded $12 million dollars in pilot funding to Reading and Beyond’s Fresno Bridge Academy program; one of only ten national projects to receive this grant.

What started out as a community-led effort to help neighborhood children in Fresno develop their reading abilities, has evolved into an organization that serves the needs of children and families across seven counties in California. Reading and Beyond has committed to empowering families to achieve productive lives through its holistic, research, and results-based programs with the end goal of helping children succeed.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Reading and Beyond as it celebrates twenty outstanding years. Our community is forever grateful for the contributions Reading and Beyond has made in the Central Valley. I ask that you join me in wishing Reading and Beyond long-lasting success.

IN HONOR OF THE 2018-2019 AAAA STATE CHAMPIONS: THE CARVER TIGERS BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM

HON. KEVIN McCARTHY
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. McCARTHY of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize Aera Energy, and President and CEO, Christina Sistrunk, as the recipient of the 2019 Bakersfield College Foundation Corporate Philanthropist of the Year Award.

Industry-leading oil and gas producer Aera Energy has displayed its commitment to California and the communities in which it operates for nearly 100 years. Jointly owned by Shell and ExxonMobil but operated as a stand-alone company with its own board and managers, Aera is proudly based in Bakersfield, California and in Kern County, one of the largest oil-producing regions in the entire country. Innovative approaches to engineering, lean processes, and data quality helped Aera become a titan of industry—Aera produces about 125,000 barrels of oil and 32 million cubic feet of natural gas each day, accounting for nearly one-quarter of California’s oil production annually. However, its community involvement and philanthropy are what truly sets the company apart.

Aera actively encourages their employees to participate in events and causes that strengthen communities, recognizing individual employees who go above and beyond in this regard. Through various programs like Partnership A.E.R.A. (Achieving Excellence, Rewarding Academics), the Community Reading Project, and multiple high school programs, Aera employees are heavily involved in the communities where they live and work. In addition to these volunteering and mentoring efforts, Aera donates to over 100 community organizations each year.

Bakersfield is fortunate to have a premier oil and gas producer like Aera so dedicated to the betterment of its people and community.
Under Mrs. Sistrunk’s leadership, I am sure that this will not be the last time Aera Energy is honored for its corporate philanthropy, generosity, and community involvement. On behalf of California’s 23rd Congressional District, I want to thank Aera Energy for its countless contributions to communities throughout the Central Valley.

Mr. TED LIEU of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Dorothy Geraldine Noak Rothermel who passed away on March 1, 2019 in Pasadena, Texas.

Dorothy Geraldine Noak Rothermel was born December 20, 1929 in Carmine, Texas to Herbert and Gertrude Noak. Dorothy graduated from Round Top-Carmine High School in 1947. On December 28th of that year, Dorothy married Thomas Hugh Rothermel.

In retirement, Dorothy served as a member of Martin Luther Lutheran Church, President of the Ladies Aid, Secretary for the Church Council, and Secretary of the General Board for the Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (WCLA).

Dorothy is survived by her Daughters: Carol Sue Rothermel Bird and husband, Marshall, of Splendora, and Pamela Rothermel Guthrie and husband, James, of Pennsylvania; Granddaughters: Rachel Diana Bird Poffinbarger and husband, James, of Splendora, Johanna Ruth Bird, of Houston, and Moriah Ashline Guthrie, of Pasadena; and Great-Granddaughters: Camille Poffinbarger, Corrine Poffinbarger, and Cristin Poffinbarger, all of Splendora.

Madam Speaker, it is my honor to remember the life of Dorothy Geraldine Noak Rothermel. May God comfort her family at this time.

HONORING JERRY LUDEKE FOR RECEIVING THE BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE FOUNDATION STERLING SILVER MEDAL

HON. KEVIN MCCARTHY OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. MCCARTHY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize Mrs Jerry Ludeke as the recipient of the 2019 Bakersfield College Foundation Service Medal. Jerry’s passion for academia can be traced back over half a century to her days as an undeclared undergraduate at Indiana University After graduating, Jerry began teaching at a junior high school before returning to school to complete a Masters in Fine Arts at Tulane University in New Orleans, where she concurrently taught several undergraduate courses. Upon completion of her Masters, Jerry selflessly decided to serve in the Presbyterian Church in Beirut, Lebanon, at the then-named Beirut College for Women. Increased hostilities in the Middle East cut the mission short, and Jerry returned to school once again—this time as a graduate student at Stanford University. She completed her San Francisco graduate and Army veteran, John Ludeke.

Jerry and John married in 1959 and settled in Bakersfield, California, where they quickly
became involved in the community. Both educators, John taught at Bakersfield High School while Jerry held multiple positions at Bakersfield College before leaving to raise her two boys, Kevin and Scott. Although she did not formally return to teaching until the boys started high school, Jerry remained committed to her role as an educator, and founded the Volunteer Tutoring Program at Bakersfield College. In 1975 she returned full-time to the Bakersfield College Learning Center, where she worked until she and John retired together in 1994.

Jerry’s commitment to community service is just as impressive as her academic history. Over the years she developed and served as the first secretary for the Holloway-Gonzales Library in Bakersfield, volunteered at the Friendship House pre-school, served as the president of the Kern County Historical Society, served on the board of both the Kern Memorial Society and Friendship Force, and directed the Bakersfield College Archives. Such extensive community involvement would overwhelm almost anyone, but for Jerry these are just the tip of the iceberg.

The Bakersfield College Foundation Sterling Silver Medal recognizes Jerry’s lifelong commitment to hard work and the betterment of the Bakersfield community through the power of education. Her input on various boards and councils, and her leadership at Bakersfield College, has had an immeasurable impact on the lives of countless people. On behalf of California’s 23rd Congressional District, I want to thank Jerry for her leadership and philanthropy to the communities and citizens of the Central Valley.

CONGRATULATING THE BRADLEY UNIVERSITY BRAVES MEN’S BASKETBALL TEAM ON WINNING THE MISSOURI VALLEY CONFERENCE

HON. CHERI BUSTOS
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Bradley University Men’s Basketball Team on capturing the Missouri Valley Conference title, earning them a spot in the 2019 NCAA Tournament.

The Braves defeated Northern Iowa University in St. Louis by a score of 57-54 to capture an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament and finish off a stellar Missouri Valley Conference tournament. Bradley pulled off an outstanding comeback in the second half after trailing by as many as 18 points with only 17 minutes left in regulation. This title is the first Braves won since 1988 and will be their first NCAA Tournament appearance since 2006, where they made a thrilling run to the Sweet Sixteen. As a former athlete, I understand the amount of hard work and commitment it takes to put together such an outstanding season. They are an example of the importance of dedication and a strong work ethic. I am proud there is such young talent in our community, and to see them represent Nebraska well throughout the state and country. I will be rooting them on in the NCAA Tournament and wish them continued success.

The reasons for the success of Bradley’s team are in large part due to the leadership and dedication of the players, coaches, and the university administration. It is an example of what hard work and dedication can accomplish.

Despite their immense growth and influence, UL remains true to its founding principle to “promote safe living and working environments.” I wish the team at UL many more years of success improving safety and empowering trust over the next century.

THANKING DRAKE CEMENT

HON. PAUL A. GOSAR
OF ARIZONA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, March 21, 2019

Mr. GOSAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize an important industry in our nation, and a company in my district that represents the best of corporate America. The company, Drake Cement, has an incredible safety record, and is known for its pursuit of excellence and its proud relationships with its employees and the community.

The industry at issue is the aggregate industry (sand, gravel, iron, minerals, stone and other aggregates) for use in the manufacturing of cement and concrete. Drake Cement takes raw materials, including limestone, alumina, iron and silica, and blends, heats, crushes and grinds it into the best cement west of the Rockies. The cement Drake Cement produces is used for construction projects, including mortar, concrete, and masonry. You will find cement in buildings, dams, bridges, highways, floors, wells, pipes and a host of other necessary products. Without cement you cannot have modern construction and infrastructure.

Drake Cement was awarded the Sentinel of Safety Mining Award in 2017 and 2015 by the National Mining Association. This prestigious award is given to mines that have the highest and best safety records. In a business that involves dangerous equipment, heavy weight transport and moving parts, maintaining safety is not easy and it requires constant vigilance and high levels of training and awareness. Drake Cement has been awarded this difficult recognition twice and the plant was only built in 2011.

Outside a small town called Paulden, Arizona, Drake Cement built its new state of the art facility. The company takes seriously its commitment to social responsibility. It recognizes that, as a mine and manufacturer, it has an impact on the environment, but it also recognizes its impact is positive, necessary and undeniably important to our culture, our society and our modern economy.

I thank Mr. David Chavez, its Vice President, the over 120 employees who do their best every day, and the company for its contribution to Arizona and the country.
Thursday, March 21, 2019

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Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met at 2:09:57 p.m. in pro forma session, and adjournded at 2:10:34 p.m. until 3 p.m., on Monday, March 25, 2019.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 1837–1853; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 52 and H. Res. 244–251 were introduced.

Additional Cosponsors:

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Wexton to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission—Appointment: Read a letter from Representative McCarthy, Minority Leader, in which he appointed the following Member to serve as Co-Chair of the Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission: Representative Smith (NJ).

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea and nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:02 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2019

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on House Administration, Full Committee, markup on H. Res. 245, providing for the expenses of certain committees of the House of Representatives in the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress; and Committee Resolution 116–09, a Resolution to Approve Franked Mail Allowances for Committees for the 116th Congress, 7 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 7, the “Paycheck Fairness Act”; and H. Res. 124, expressing opposition to banning service in the Armed Forces by openly transgender individuals, 5 p.m., H–313 Capitol.
Next Meeting of the SENATE
3 p.m., Monday, March 25

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
12 noon, Monday, March 25

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Bridget S. Bade, of Arizona, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 5:30 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.

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