

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. KAY GRANGER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted yea on Roll Call No. 151; yea on Roll Call No. 152; nay on Roll Call No. 153; yea on Roll Call No. 154; yea on Roll Call No. 155; and yea on Roll Call No. 156.

SEVENTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INDIAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER OF NWIHRC

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Madam Speaker, it is my distinct pleasure to recognize the Indian American Cultural Center of NWIHR, which will be celebrating its 17th anniversary by hosting a gala dinner and banquet on Saturday, April 13, 2019, at the Halls of Saint George in Schererville, Indiana.

The Indian American Cultural Center, which opened on March 9, 2002, was established with the following goal in mind: to foster peace and harmony amongst the people of Northwest Indiana by showcasing their cultural heritage and creating spiritual awareness in both youth and adults, as well as to engage in various charitable endeavors, both nationally and locally. Since its inception, the Indian American Cultural Center has been instrumental in educating Northwest Indiana's citizens on the traditions and customs of the Indian heritage.

The members of the Indian American Cultural Center of NWIHR are to be honored, not only for their commitment to preserving tradition, but also for their dedication to making improvements that benefit all mankind. Proceeds from this year's gala, which throughout the years has demonstrated the immense generosity of its attendees and organizers, will go to support the Nazareth Home in East Chicago and Veterans Life Changing Services in Gary. In the past, proceeds from the gala have gone to such noble causes as cancer research, educational scholarships, the American Red Cross, tsunami and hurricane relief funds, the Carmelite Home for Girls, Arc Bridges of Hobart, Campagna Academy, and many more. For their significant contributions to the community of Northwest Indiana and beyond, the members and leaders of the NWIHR are worthy of the highest praise.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in congratulating the Indian American Cultural Center of NWIHR on its 17th anniversary. The members and leaders of this outstanding organization have dedicated themselves to serving others, and continue to improve the quality of

life for the people of Northwest Indiana and throughout the world. They serve as an inspiration to us all.

KATHERINE CISNEROS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Katherine Cisneros for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

The Youth Award focuses on teenagers who have overcome personal adversity and created positive changes in their lives and their community. The program provides businesses, the community and civic leaders an opportunity to support young people in their communities and recognize their accomplishments. Katherine is the perfect recipient for this award because despite adversities and challenges, she has become an inspiration and role model for her peers.

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

I extend my deepest congratulations to Katherine Cisneros for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

RECOGNIZING THE BUCHANAN PARTNERS AND NANCY HERSCH INGRAM AT THE 9TH HYLTON PERFORMING ARTS CENTER ANNIVERSARY GALA

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Buchanan Partners and Nancy Hersch Ingram who have demonstrated incredible dedication and service to the Hylton Performing Arts Center. Their many contributions have helped grow the arts in our community and at the Hylton Performing Arts Center. The Hylton Performing Arts Center serves to enrich, entertain, and celebrate the community through arts and educational programs. The Hylton Performing Arts Center provides a variety of cultural experiences for all ages, and we are thankful to have this Center in our community.

The Buchanan Partners have played a key role in establishing the Hylton Performing Arts Center's vision by sponsoring the Buchanan Partners Art Gallery. This gallery features local

and regional artists and serves to enrich the community through various visual art experiences. They continue to reach out to the community and live out their mission of "Developing Values. Building relationships." It is my pleasure to honor the Buchanan Partners for their contributions and efforts.

We are also very fortunate to have an exceptional visual artist, philanthropist, and founding supporter of the Hylton Performing Arts Center, Nancy Hersch Ingram. She earned her Masters of Fine Arts degree from American University and now serves on the George Mason University Science and Technology campus advisory board. Nancy continues to help other members of our community by providing visionary artistic influence and philanthropic support. Her art work is held in permanent collections of the Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery, the National Museum of Women in the Arts, and other art institutions. She has been a pillar for artistic enrichment in our community, and demonstrates the values we seek in our community leaders. It is my pleasure to honor Nancy Hersch Ingram.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the Buchanan Partners and Nancy Hersch Ingram for their many contributions to the Hylton Performing Arts Center.

CONGRATULATING NORTHWESTERN AND BENTON CENTRAL GIRLS BASKETBALL

HON. JAMES R. BAIRD

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. BAIRD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate two outstanding high school basketball teams from the Fourth District of Indiana. I'm proud to say that the Fourth District is home to not only the runner up for the Indiana High School Athletic Association's Girls Basketball State Tournament, but also the 2019 State Champions.

At the State Championship on February 23, in Indianapolis, Northwestern Senior High School, from Kokomo, Indiana achieved their second-straight state title with a sixty-one to thirty-nine victory over Benton Central, from Oxford, Indiana.

Both teams played with the passion and dedication they have shown all season. Northwestern junior Kendall Bostic led the night with twenty-five points and set Class 3A State records for both rebounds and steals. Her teammate, Madison Layden, tied a state record as well, making ten out of twelve free throw attempts. Allison Miller from Northwestern was named the winner of the Patricia L. Roy Mental Attitude Award in Class 3A Girls Basketball.

From Benton Central, leaders like Audrey Strawsma contributed eleven points, Tressa Senesac with nine, and senior Emma Fisher had seven. In addition to the strong showing from all the players on the court, it is notable

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that this is only the third time since 1995 that both teams in the State Championship game were from the same conference.

It is an honor to represent hardworking student athletes across the Fourth District, especially the young women of Northwestern and Benton Central. Their coaches, Kathie Layden from Northwestern and David Baxter from Benton Central, should also be commended on their leadership and commitment.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the Fourth District of Indiana, I want to congratulate both teams, their families, schools, and coaches on an impressive 2019 basketball season.

HONORING JOHANNA HAGER FOR
HER WORK AT BRAVEHEART
CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER

HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Johanna Hager for her work at the Braveheart Child Advocacy Center. Ms. Hager serves as a Diplomate Certified Practitioner and a Certified Child Forensic Interview Trainer who has done remarkable work.

Johanna Hager, a member of First Lutheran Church in Geneseo, is committed to assisting members of the community through her expertise in child trauma. Ms. Hager earned a master's degree in Marriage, Family and Child Therapy and has gone on to work closely with the National Association of Forensic Counseling and the American Academy of Certified Forensic Counselors. Ms. Hager actively assists the State Police on how they can best communicate with children who are affected by criminal investigations. She has also used her knowledge to support and aid adults, children, and families dealing with grief, trauma and recovery from child sexual abuse and severe physical abuse. In addition, Ms Hager has testified as an expert witness in many cases and has assisted with the establishment of a nationwide competency exam for Child Forensic Interviewers. Ms. Hager is an asset to the community and provides much-needed services for those she assists.

It is because of dedicated leaders such as Johanna Hager that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally honor Johanna Hager on her service to the community and thank her for all she does for those who are in need of assistance.

DESTINY OROZCO URIBE

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

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

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

The dedication demonstrated by Destiny Orozco Uribe is exemplary of the type of

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

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

HONORING PETER CAMERON

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. HUFFMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the significant career and accomplishments of Peter Cameron, a United States Army veteran who has dedicated more than 47 years to serving his fellow veterans in Sonoma County, on the occasion of his retirement.

Mr. Cameron entered military service in 1965 and served his country with distinction in Vietnam in 1966 and 1967. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, and the Vietnam Campaign Medal.

Following his Army service, Mr Cameron became the founder, President, and Chief Executive Officer of Veterans Resource Centers of America, a community-based nonprofit organization in Sonoma County that provides employment training, housing, rehabilitation and case management as well as small business, legal, and advocacy services to veterans. The organization also supports a clinic and construction of three elementary schools in Luong Son, in the Republic of Vietnam.

As a prominent leader and active voice for veterans, Mr. Cameron has, over the past 47 years, been a consultant to the White House, Department of Labor, Department of Veterans Affairs, and Agent Orange Class Assistance Program as well as numerous state and local agencies. Mr. Cameron collected materials for the first archival collection of Vietnam veterans' memorabilia which is now held at Cornell University. He also organized the first Vietnam veterans symposium held at Sonoma State University in 1979 and coordinated delegations of Vietnam veterans to travel to the Soviet Union and Kazakhstan to meet Soviet veterans of the war in Afghanistan in 1989 and 1990. In more recent years, he served as Secretary and Board Member of the National Coalition for Homeless Veterans.

Madam Speaker, Peter Cameron's career is a sterling example of service and dedication to our country's veteran population. Mr. Cameron's tireless advocacy on behalf of his fellow veterans raised awareness and improved lives in Sonoma County and across the United States. Please join me in honoring Peter Cameron on the occasion of his retirement, and in wishing him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING THE 50TH
ANNIVERSARY OF LEIDOS

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Chairman/CEO Roger Krone and the 32,000 employees of Leidos on the occasion of the company's 50th anniversary.

Founded in 1969 by Dr. J. Robert Beyster as Science Applications Incorporated (SAI), the company that would become Leidos was a result of Dr. Beyster's lifelong commitment to innovation. Born in Detroit, Michigan in 1924 and raised in the midst of the Great Depression, Dr. Beyster watched as his family struggled through incredible hardships to provide for themselves. He joined the Navy after graduating from high school and served on a destroyer during World War II. With the help of the GI Bill, he attended the University of Michigan after his naval career and earned several degrees, including his Ph.D. in nuclear physics in 1950.

After earning his doctorate, Dr. Beyster spent five years working at the Los Alamos National Laboratory before spending a dozen years with General Atomics in San Diego. His time there came to an end shortly after Gulf Oil acquired General Atomics. Dr. Beyster felt that senior management had little interest in the research his department was performing. He resolved to create a company where that would never be the case and which nurtured a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship. That vision led to the creation of SAI, which changed its name to SAIC in 1984.

I served as Director of Community Relations for SAIC from 2002 to 2008 and will always remember fondly my time with the company. I was pleased to be present in Congress in 2009 when SAIC made the decision to relocate its headquarters from San Diego to my district in Tysons. I'm not sure anyone, including Dr. Beyster, could have foreseen the growth that this company would experience. What began as a \$50,000 loan with Dr. Beyster's house as collateral has evolved into a \$7 billion Fortune 500 powerhouse. In 2013, SAIC bifurcated its company into two entities; Leidos, the solutions-focused parent company and a services business spin-off which carried on the SAIC name. I am confident that both of these companies will continue the fine legacy that has been left by Dr. Beyster, Roger Krone and so many others over the last 50 years.

The impact of Leidos and SAIC is not solely confined to a profit margin or a balance sheet. Both companies have received numerous accolades for their work in their communities, including being named one of the Best Places to Work by the Human Rights Campaign in 2017, receiving an Annual Corporate Equality Index Score of 100 percent and being named one of the World's Most Ethical Companies by the Ethisphere Institute just last year. When I served as Director of Community Relations, I saw firsthand the engagement in and care for the community that SAIC/Leidos exhibited. The community was not merely where their facilities were located; it was their home and they treated it accordingly. We could all stand to learn from their example.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Leidos on this momentous occasion and in wishing them great success in all their future endeavors. I have no doubt that they will continue their myriad contributions to our economy, our government and our community for many more decades to come.

FOURTH ANNUAL WORLD CIVILITY
DAY

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Madam Speaker, it is with great honor and respect that I recognize the Community Civility Counts Initiative as the organization celebrates its fourth annual World Civility Day on April 11, 2019, along with the Gary Chamber of Commerce, the entire community of Northwest Indiana, and beyond. World Civility Day is a day in which we are asked to become aware of our behavior towards others and to become mindful of our thoughts, words, and actions. It is a day to remember that we can be better people in every area of life, and to remember that our actions serve as an example for generations to come. In observance of this special event, a day of civility-themed activities will be held at the Indiana Welcome Center in Hammond, and an awards banquet will follow in the evening at the Avalon Manor in Merrillville.

In 2015, Chuck Hughes, Executive Director of the Gary Chamber of Commerce, and Dr. Gordon E. Bradshaw, Chairman of the Public Policy Committee, worked together through the Gary Chamber to create the Civility Counts Initiative. The organization's mission is to build public awareness of civility and to help transform communities through positive programs and relationships. The Initiative works to raise the consciousness level of individuals and groups of people, as so many of us face incidents of disrespect, intolerance, bullying, or violence. For striving to make a difference in our communities, the organization and its supporters are worthy of the highest praise.

This year, the organization welcomes and honors Dr. Clyde Rivers, President and Founder of IChange Nations. Dr. Rivers is also an Ambassador-at-Large for the Republic of Burundi, Africa. Dr. Rivers plans to incorporate the Community Civility Counts message into his own organization and his work for peace and civility throughout the world. Showing her support for this powerful message, Ms. Melba Moore, Grammy nominee and Tony Award winner, will be performing at the International Awards Dinner. Mr. Michael Turner, saxophonist for the Ohio Players, and Mr. Reginald Thornton, original dancer from the iconic Soul Train television show, will celebrate civility through their performances, as well.

Madam Speaker, I ask you and my other colleagues to join me in honoring and congratulating the Community Civility Counts Initiative and in celebrating World Civility Day. The significance of this movement will have a positive impact on generation after generation. For their influence, passion, and dedication to the community of Northwest Indiana and beyond, the leaders and supporters of the Com-

munity Civility Counts Initiative are to be commended.

DAMIAN DIAZ

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Damian Diaz for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

The Youth Award focuses on teenagers who have overcome personal adversity and created positive changes in their lives and their community. The program provides businesses, the community and civic leaders an opportunity to support young people in their communities and recognize their accomplishments. Damian is the perfect recipient for this award because despite adversities and challenges, he has become an inspiration and role model for his peers.

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

I extend my deepest congratulations to Damian Diaz for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

HONORING MR. RICHARD FIMBRES
AND MRS. MARY FIMBRES

HON. ANN KIRKPATRICK

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mrs. KIRKPATRICK. Madam Speaker, I rise before you today to recognize two special individuals, Mr. Richard Fimbres and Mrs. Mary Fimbres, for their three decades of work and commitment to bettering the lives of local youth. In response to their concerns about the state of education in their community, Richard and Mary Fimbres helped to found the LULAC Youth Leadership Conference, a program that promotes and develops leadership in middle and high school students.

With the cooperation and involvement of local public, private, and charter schools, as well as institutions of higher learning, the LULAC Youth Leadership Conference has become a nationally recognized program that assists students with resources, mentoring, and leadership skills, thereby equipping them with the necessary tools to help them remain in school, graduate, and further their education.

For 29 years, Richard and Mary Fimbres have worked to build and grow the conference, and to date, it has hosted over 118,000 participants. Over the years, these participants have gained invaluable experience thanks to the conference, including attending a Resource Fair where they can discover high-paying careers that will enable them to make a difference by creating the social and technological advancements that will define the fu-

ture of our world. The fair also gives them access to health, educational, and life resources and features a strong public safety component with law enforcement, fire, and medical emergency professionals who display the latest vehicles, technologies and equipment in their fields. Additionally, the fair offers 30 interactive workshops that focus on leadership, health, culture, issues affecting teens, student resources, and technology. Professionals from various fields are present to provide information about community resources and ways to access them, as well as offering information about their career paths. It should also be noted that, thanks to Richard and Mary Fimbres and local school systems, students are provided secure transportation to and from the conference.

The LULAC Youth Leadership Conference has been nationally recognized by former First Ladies Barbara Bush and Hillary Clinton, as well as Louis Caldera, former Secretary of the Army, and Lauro Cavazos, former Secretary of Education. In tandem with the Youth Leadership Conference, Richard and Mary Fimbres also formed the LULAC Educator's Awards and Scholarship Banquet, which honors educators, community leaders, and elected officials for their work on improving the lives of youth and the community, as well as raises funds to go toward educational scholarships.

Mr. and Mrs. Fimbres' standing as community leaders is evident in their commitment and countless hours of work throughout the community over the past three decades. Madam Speaker, I ask you to join me in recognizing these outstanding citizens and exemplary leaders for their work and dedication to improving the lives of our young people.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN
REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2019

SPEECH OF

HON. DAVID B. MCKINLEY

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 3, 2019

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 1585) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, and for other purposes:

Mr. MCKINLEY. Mr. Chair, the Violence Against Women Act is an important law that authorizes funding to protect women from violent crimes and supports victims. Let me be clear: the Violence Against Women Act needs to be reauthorized. In 2013, I was proud to vote to reauthorize this legislation. Last fall, I joined a letter urging Speaker Ryan to pass a clean extension of the Violence Against Women Act before it expired. Finally, I will vote to support a clean one-year extension of the Violence Against Women Act.

Unfortunately, my Democratic colleagues let politics stand in the way of funding to help victims of violent crimes. They have included provisions in H.R. 1585, the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2019, to deny citizens of their constitutional Second Amendment rights without due process. Our requests for a clean reauthorization, without such politicized provisions, have gone unanswered.

Victims of domestic violence and sexual assault deserve better. This is why I opposed

H.R. 1585. Congress needs to work towards a reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act that removes these poison pills and puts victims before politics.

RECOGNIZING THE 2019 NORTHERN VIRGINIA FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES AND AWARD RECIPIENTS

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Northern Virginia Football Hall of Fame (NVFHOF) and to congratulate the 2019 inductees and scholarship award recipients.

Participation in organized sports instills many values that will serve our youth well throughout life, including sportsmanship, teamwork, honesty, and the work ethic developed by striving for success and working to achieve a common goal.

For 29 years, the NVFHOF has recognized the efforts of players, coaches, officials, and cheerleaders from local youth and scholastic football programs, and has inducted a few exceptional individuals who have made significant contributions to the game. In addition, the NVFHOF presents several student-athletes with scholarships to help defray the cost of college.

I commend the NVFHOF and congratulate the following students, coaches, and community leaders who are being recognized during the 29th Annual NVFHOF Awards Banquet:

\$2,000 Scholarship Award Recipients: Conley J. Ku, Miles M. Thompson, Nicholas E. Kuzemka.

Fairfax County Football Hall of Fame 2019 Inductees: Jonathan Allen, Paul Hayden.

Football Official of the Year: Frank Hill, Jr.
Karl Davey Community Achievement Award: Martha Coleman.

Tom Davis Meritorious Service Award: Derek and Jenni Green.

Gene Nelson Commissioner of the Year Award: Brandon Miller.

High School Coaches of the Year: Mickey Thompson, Tom Verbanic.

High School Players of the Year: Eugene Asante, Tyquan Brown, Jordan Houston, Dakwandre Marshall, Taylor Morin, Christian Yost.

Youth Coaches of the Year: Boomer DeConti, Tom Hamm, Rodney Saldivar, Stanley Wilkins.

Youth Players of the Year: Chase Murchison, Jaellyn Carlo, George Lynch III, Adam Stewart, Jack McLaury, Evan Ross, Chase Geter, Cameron Petrey, Dylan Lyerly, Marcus Williams, Jaylen Ware, Cash Crosby, Ethen Mack-Moore, Tyree Hogan, Christos Proctor, Bryson Thompson, Colton Quaker, McCormack Koopman, Isaiah Ragland, Jake Nielsen, Donovan Mullins, Clifton Dorsey, Bobby Schroder.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating Mark Meana and the Northern Virginia Hall of Fame, as well as those students, coaches, and community leaders who are being honored at the 2019 Football Hall of Fame celebration.

RECOGNIZING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF WILLOW SPRINGS, MISSOURI

HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the sesquicentennial birthday of Willow Springs, Missouri. Located in Howell County, Willow Springs sits at the intersections of U.S. Hwy 63 and U.S. Hwy 60, making it the hub of the Ozarks.

On March 29, 1869, the Willow Springs Post Office was established. The post office was located at the general store of Mr. James Harris, a Union veteran of the Civil War. The town remained small until the development of the Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis railroads in the 1880s. The railroad stimulated commerce and brought new businesses and people to the area who were interested in taking part in the expansion.

It is my privilege to acknowledge this historic birthday before the United States House of Representatives and to honor the people of Willow Springs, Missouri as they partake in this yearlong celebration.

BRITTNEY CUMMINGS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Brittney Cummings for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

The Youth Award focuses on teenagers who have overcome personal adversity and created positive changes in their lives and their community. The program provides businesses, the community and civic leaders an opportunity to support young people in their communities and recognize their accomplishments. Brittney is the perfect recipient for this award because despite adversities and challenges, she has become an inspiration and role model for her peers.

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

I extend my deepest congratulations to Brittney Cummings for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

IN HONOR OF THE WOODLANDS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY 25TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. BRADY. Madam Speaker, today I rise in celebration of the 25th Anniversary of The Woodlands Christian Academy.

Established in 1993, The Woodlands Christian Academy (TWCA) is one of our community's most impressive academic institutions. A non-denominational college preparatory school located in The Woodlands, Texas, TWCA aims to integrate classroom learning with Biblical faith. TWCA provides programs for over 600 students PreK–12th grade, and pushes them to reach their highest spiritual, academic, and social potential. The caliber of their students is matched only by the quality of their faculty, whose dedicated commitment to teaching has shaped countless students and inspired thousands of young learners.

TWCA has a strong history of preparing its students for success after graduation, with student ACT and SAT scores continuing to rise above the local, state, and national average. Students of TWCA often go on to receive prized competitive scholarships—with an average of \$103,000 per student being awarded in merit-based college scholarships in 2017 alone.

Students at TWCA are notable not only for their academic achievements, but also for their proven ability to be remarkable leaders in their respective industries and communities.

Through service opportunities and educational experiences in and outside of the classroom, TWCA encourages its students to engage in responsible citizenship and critical thinking, and to develop a life-long appreciation for learning. TWCA understands the importance of investing in our students, and therefore investing in our future.

TWCA would not be where it is today without their fearless leader, Julie Ambler. Julie has been a hardworking member of the faculty since 2006, and now serves as Head of School. Under her outstanding leadership and direction, TWCA was named the corporate Hometown Hero of The Woodlands by Interfaith in 2017—a well-deserved award for someone whose vision and guidance has impacted this community so much.

This year, we celebrate TWCA's quarter-of-a-century mark. I thank them for the outstanding impact that the faculty and administration have made on young people of our community, and I am proud to join those across The Woodlands in celebration of their Anniversary. Congratulations on 25 years, I know that the next 25 will be just as successful.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2019

SPEECH OF

HON. JAIME HERRERA BEUTLER

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 3, 2019

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 1585) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, and for other purposes:

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Mr. Chair, I've been a strong supporter of VAWA, consistent with my vote to advance this important bill to assist victims of domestic abuse. However, H.R. 1585 in its current form is not perfect and I have serious outstanding concerns with the provisions relating to Second Amendment protections. I urge my colleagues to work in a bipartisan effort to address these concerns so

we can have a final bill that respects Americans' constitutional rights.

HONORING ALBERT STRAUS

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. HUFFMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Albert Straus, the founder and CEO of Straus Family Creamery. Under Albert Straus' leadership the Straus Family Creamery became the first creamery in the country to become one hundred percent certified organic. Twenty-five years later, the business is not only thriving, but has created a model for sustainable family dairy farming that has been replicated to great success.

The oldest of four children, Albert Straus grew up on his family's dairy farm in northern California. The son of William and Ellen Straus, his father founded the dairy in 1941, after fleeing to the United States as a refugee from Nazi Germany. Albert left his family's dairy to go to college, but returned in 1977, after earning a bachelor's degree in Dairy Science from California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo. Albert took over management of the dairy alongside his father, but realized that changes would need to be made if family-run dairy farms were going to survive the growth of larger industrial competitors.

Over the course of the nearly two decades that followed, Albert Straus implemented innovative solutions at his family dairy that improved both the stewardship of the land and the farm's economic vitality. These solutions included the cessation of herbicides and chemical fertilizers, the use of planting methods that reduced soil erosion, and the use of food waste for cow feed, among many others. Finally, in 1994, Straus opened the first certified organic dairy and creamery west of the Mississippi River and the first 100 percent certified organic creamery in the U.S.

Today, the Straus Family Creamery has had great success, both economically, and in its mission to create a farming community that is committed to stewardship of the land. Albert Straus has been a model and mentor for many other family dairy farms. Now nearly ninety percent of all dairy farms in the region are certified organic, and as a result, family farms are continuing to thrive. Still a leader in innovation, the Straus Family Dairy Farm uses a methane digester to turn the 4,000 gallons of manure that it produces daily into compost and renewable energy. This energy not only powers the 500-acre farm, but also Albert Straus' harvester truck.

Madam Speaker, Albert Straus' leadership and vision has proven that environmentally-sustainable farming can both turn a profit and support a larger community of family farms and distributors. And at a time when the public has grown increasingly more concerned by the means and consolidation of food production, his example is that much more significant. Therefore, please join me in recognizing Albert Straus and the success of the Straus Family Creamery, on the occasion of its 25th anniversary.

JENNA HAYS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Jenna Hays for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

The Youth Award focuses on teenagers who have overcome personal adversity and created positive changes in their lives and their community. The program provides businesses, the community and civic leaders an opportunity to support young people in their communities and recognize their accomplishments. Jenna is the perfect recipient for this award because despite adversities and challenges, she has become an inspiration and role model for her peers.

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

I extend my deepest congratulations to Jenna Hays for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

RECOGNIZING THE 2019 OCCOQUAN-
WOODBRIDGE-LORTON VOLUNTEER
FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the incoming 2019 officers of the Occoquan-Woodbridge-Lorton Volunteer Fire Department. OWLVFD is located in Prince William County, Virginia, 25 miles from our Nation's Capital. The OWLVFD goes on an average of 20,000 runs per year, aiding 80,000 residents in a 27 square mile area.

Incorporated in the Commonwealth of Virginia in 1938, the OWLVFD is comprised of committed community members who volunteer their time, energy, and financial resources to ensure the safety of the families and property in and around Woodbridge. During its 80 year history, the Department has continued to expand and there are now three stations staffed by approximately 250 volunteers who serve and protect an ever-growing local population. From their bravery in action to their presence with the youth in the community, OWLVFD is readily available for the families of Woodbridge.

It is with great honor that I include in the RECORD the names of the following Occoquan-Woodbridge-Lorton Volunteer Fire Department Officers:

- Department President—Dave Williams.
- Department Chief—James McAllister.
- Executive Vice President—George Smith.

Membership Secretary—Scott Shaw.

Board of Directors—Michelle Bauer, Kevin Lewis, Melissa Payne, Rebecca Barnes, Zach Wessolleck, Jonathan Baldwin, Michael Clark, Anna Smith.

Election Officer—Sabrina Brandon Ricks.

Treasurer—Debbie Haight.

Sergeant-At-Arms—Rick Moore.

Assistant Chiefs—Kurt Bolland, Ernest DeSantis, Steve Godin, Wayne Haight, Rick Michaels.

Rescue Chief—Ed Craig.

Fire Captains—Ben New, Justin Witt.

Rescue Captain—Stephanie Powers.

While a new executive board has been elected and new officers sworn in, the mission of OWLVFD remains the same. The volunteers of the OWLVFD continue to put themselves in harm's way for the benefit of the residents of the area and have educated and mentored the youth in Woodbridge, not only teaching fire safety education, but also strengthening community relations.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing the men and women of the Occoquan-Woodbridge-Lorton Volunteer Fire Department for their service to our country and steadfast commitment to their community and in congratulating the newly-elected officers and board members. I thank them for their dedication and to all, I say: "Stay safe."

HONORING THE LIFE OF
FREEHOLDER PEARL BEATTY

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. PAYNE. Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in honoring the life and legacy of former Essex County Freeholder Pearl Beatty. Freeholder Beatty passed away on April 2, 2019, leaving behind a trail of success as a community servant.

Freeholder Beatty's interest in politics began in her early twenties, when she worked a voter registration table for the NAACP. It continued through 1960, when she sang at a rally for presidential candidate John F. Kennedy. Freeholder Beatty went on to work for the Kennedy campaign in New Jersey, helping put Kennedy over the top in the state. Three years later, Freeholder Beatty attended the 1963 March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom. She helped Newark residents picket Woolworth's for racial equality. And Freeholder Beatty was a key player in getting Newark's first Black mayor, Kenneth Gibson, elected in 1970.

Over the years, Freeholder Beatty was a constant presence in Essex County politics and communities. She was scheduler for Jimmy Carter's 1976 New Jersey campaign, then ran for Essex County Freeholder in 1977. She served three terms as District 2 Freeholder, always fighting for her constituents. Freeholder Beatty worked tirelessly to get people of color registered to vote.

I ask that my colleagues join me in honoring the life of Essex County Freeholder Pearl Beatty.

IN RECOGNITION OF HOOSAC VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

HON. RICHARD E. NEAL

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. NEAL. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Hoosac Valley High School girls' basketball team on winning the 2019 Massachusetts Division III championship. Hoosac Valley defeated St. Mary's (Lynn) 66–49 in the final championship game. The win capped a 21–4 season and the first State Championship for Hoosac Valley's girls' basketball team after five post-season appearances in the last six years.

The team's tremendous dedication and commitment to excellence was led by Head Coach Ronald Wojcik, and the impressive efforts on the court were led by senior captains Alie Mendel and Lexi Mercier—both thousand-point scorers—and junior captain Riley Robinson.

It gives me great pleasure to extend my sincere congratulations to the entire team, which also included Annie Canales, Cairagan Green, Shalieg Levesque, Kaley Winn, Faith Hall, Abby Hugger, Rylenn Witek, Averie McGrath, Sarah Field, and Abby Bird. These student-athletes should be proud of their contributions to this victorious season that furthers the legacy of Hoosac Valley athletics.

Madam Speaker, the players, coaches, and entire school community should be very proud of their accomplishments and exemplary character. I wish the graduating seniors all the best in their future endeavors and good luck to those who will return for a chance to win again next season.

RECOGNIZING THE 2019 DALE CITY MULTICULTURAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIP FUND WINNERS

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 2019 Dale City Multicultural Achievement Awards and Scholarship Fund winners.

For 35 years, the Dale City Multicultural Achievement Awards and Scholarship Fund has been dedicated to promoting higher education by providing young adults with partial or full scholarships. Sponsored by the Dale City Christian Church and through its work with area youth and community partners, it advocates and encourages achievable independence. This is done through providing guidance and financial assistance to high school graduates and continuing this guidance as they begin their next academic chapter in higher education. In its years of service, the Dale City Multicultural Achievement Awards and Scholarship Fund has awarded more than \$300,000.00 in scholarships for higher education. Through its partnership with local leaders and other groups it has been able to unite the community and inspire these young adults.

The annual banquet honors graduating high school students as well as church and com-

munity leaders and has become a signature community event highlighting distinguished speakers and showcasing the community's "best." The Dale City Multicultural Achievement Awards and Scholarship Fund's mission is to "help educate the youth of today, to become outstanding citizens of tomorrow." It is my honor to include in the RECORD the following names of the 2019 Dale City Multicultural Achievement Awards & Scholarship Fund recipients:

Pastoral Leadership Award: Pastor Gibrilla Bangura.

Religious Leadership Award: Mrs. Barbara Murphy.

Lifetime Humanitarian Award: Mrs. Joann Bagnerise.

Community Service Award: Ms. Sharon Stone, Mrs. Lisa Hicks.

Business Achievement Award: Jirani—Coffee House, Dawne Horizons—Spa & Wellness Center.

Public Service Award: Ms. Diane Raulston. Professional Leadership Award: Dr. Vanessa Gattis.

Christian Service Award: Mrs. Aleshia Thomas-Miller, Mr. Alonzo Johnson.

Faithfulness Award: Ms. Jera Stubblefield, Mr. Tyrell Allen.

Dedicated Christian Family Award: Ms. Katrese Harris & Family.

Senior Christian Service Award: Mr. Aaron Dade.

Junior Christian Service Award: Miss Jade Spurlock, Mr. Rey'Jzon Roundtree.

Youth Christian Service Award: Miss Deja Conner, Mr. Brandon Holloway.

2019 Seniors: Mr. Aaron Dade, Miss Desiree Freeman, Mr. Samuel Mitchell, Mr. Kalil Parson, Mr. Keonte Parson.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the 2019 Dale City Multicultural Achievement Awards and Scholarship Fund recipients and in commending the Dale City Christian Church for its dedication and commitment to educating the leaders of tomorrow.

HONORING FRANK BARBARO

HON. MIKE LEVIN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. LEVIN of California. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor lawyer and friend Frank Barbaro for his many years of service to Orange County.

Frank was born in Detroit, Michigan and moved to Orange County at the age of 11. He was raised by a single mother who taught him the importance of hard work and dedication to fighting for justice. At the age of 14, Frank hosted his own radio show to help young people find employment opportunities.

After attending University of Southern California for his undergraduate and law degrees, Frank started his career as an insurance defense attorney at Rodiger, Graf, Dewberry, and Spriggs. However, he soon discovered his true passion for personal injury, medical malpractice and public entity liability.

Frank has tried over 100 personal injury cases and has argued in front of appellate and supreme courts. In his landmark case Soule vs. General Motors Corporation, Frank argued

in front of the California Supreme Court and won \$1.65 million for his client Terri Soule in an automobile defect case against General Motors. Law schools across the country teach this case to discuss the consumer-expectation test for products liability. In 2018, Frank was inducted into the Orange County Trial Lawyers Association Hall of Fame.

Frank has also been a leader in our community outside of the courtroom. He has fought for judicial independence through his work with the bipartisan Committee to Preserve a Responsible Judiciary. He has served on both the Governor's Judicial Selection Advisory Committee for Orange County and the Orange County Fair Board. Frank was also Chair of the Democratic Party of Orange County and Orange County Campaign Chair for several presidential campaigns, including President Jimmy Carter, President Barack Obama, and Secretary Hillary Clinton.

Frank is a true inspiration to our community. I am honored to pay tribute to Frank and his work on behalf of Orange County.

TRIBUTE TO JEANNE BROBERG—
28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my Congressional District. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Jeanne Broberg of La Ca-ñada Flintridge, California.

Born and raised in Glendale, California, Jeanne attended Glendale public schools, graduating from Herbert Hoover High School as Valedictorian prior to attending Brigham Young University and Glendale Community College. In 1970, Jeanne and her late husband, Dr. Charles Broberg, an obstetrics and gynecology specialist, settled in La Ca-ñada Flintridge, where they raised eight children.

A selfless advocate for children and committed to enriching the lives of children, Jeanne became active in the La Ca-ñada Elementary School Parent Teacher Association (PTA), where she worked on a successful effort to have sidewalks built on La Ca-ñada Blvd., and eventually serving as President for a total of six terms of various PTAs and the Council PTA. Along with her husband, she volunteered with La Ca-ñada Flintridge schools, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts of America, YMCA day camps and sports programs, thespian and choral activities and the American Youth Soccer Organization.

In 1993, Mrs. Broberg was elected to the La Ca-ñada Unified School District Governing Board, where she served two terms until 2001, and was re-elected again in 2007 for a third term, serving as President for three various years. Jeanne was an active participant in the 5 Star Coalition, an affiliation of school officials from the La Ca-ñada Flintridge, Pasadena, South Pasadena, Glendale and Burbank school districts that addresses regional issues.

A dedicated member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in La Ca-ñada

Flintridge, Jeanne taught seminary to young people, served as President of the Young Women's Organization and President of the Church Relief Society Women's Organization. Jeanne and her husband, Charles served on a missionary trip where Dr. Broberg was a medical advisor in the Ukraine and Russia.

In addition to being a longtime volunteer with the Assistance League of Flintridge, where she served as its 2015–2016 President, Mrs. Broberg's passion for genealogy and family history led her to become Director of the La Crescenta Family History Library in 2006 and eventually, a consultant at the Santa Monica Regional Family History Center from 2012 to 2014.

For her outstanding service to the community, Jeanne received the prestigious PTA Golden Oak Award in 2012 and the La Cañadan of the Year Award from the Kiwanis Club of La Cañada in 2016.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring this exceptional, well-respected woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Jeanne Broberg.

RECOGNIZING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NORTHERN VIRGINIA CONSERVATION TRUST

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Northern Virginia Conservation Trust on the occasion of its 25th anniversary. Founded in 1994, NVCT undertook a mission to sustain abundant, thriving and natural places in local neighborhoods and communities. Over the last 25 years, their efforts have led to the protection of over 7,000 acres of land, comprising parks, streams, forests and farms in both rural and urban settings. In a region of over 3 million people and growing, that is an incredible accomplishment that deserves high praise.

In Northern Virginia, we have always made an effort to preserve our parkland and green spaces. This is one of the reasons why our region continues to enjoy such a high quality of life. I was proud during my tenure as Chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors to make environmental conservation one of my top priorities. We set a goal of preserving 10 percent of our open space as parkland. We are currently at 9.7 percent and I am confident that the future will see us reach that goal of 10 percent.

I also saw firsthand the commitment of the membership of NVCT to the goal of conservation. The late Jean Packard, who served as Chairman of the Board of NVCT, was an instrumental figure in the downzoning of the Occoquan watershed.

That decision was arguably one of the most consequential environmental decisions made by the Board of Supervisors. It is no coincidence that the healthiest streams in Fairfax County and the most scenic, ecologically intact open space are found within the boundaries of the Occoquan watershed.

The existence of organizations like NVCT is a testament to the high level of civic engagement and citizen activism that we are blessed with not only in Fairfax County, but in Northern

Virginia as a whole. The actions of governments, while important, will never be sufficient by themselves. Organizations like NVCT provide an invaluable supplement, which ensures that we will continue to prioritize preservation and conservation of our natural resources for future generations.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Northern Virginia Conservation Trust on 25 years of preserving nature. I commend them for their service to our community and our region and ask my colleagues to join me in wishing them great success in all their future endeavors.

CORY HENRY

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Cory Henry for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

The Youth Award focuses on teenagers who have overcome personal adversity and created positive changes in their lives and their community. The program provides businesses, the community and civic leaders an opportunity to support young people in their communities and recognize their accomplishments. Cory is the perfect recipient for this award because despite adversities and challenges, he has become an inspiration and role model for his peers.

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

I extend my deepest congratulations to Cory Henry for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

HONORING LONGTIME CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVIST NATIVO VIRGIL LOPEZ

HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, I would like to take some time today to honor Nativo Virgil Lopez, a longtime civil rights activist and a powerful voice and advocate for the immigrant community. A sixth-generation Mexican-American, Nativo Virgil Lopez was born in Los Angeles and raised in Norwalk. As a high school student, he was inspired to grassroots immigrant rights activism by the national movement against the Vietnam War, due to the high numbers of deaths and wounded of Latinos and African Americans.

In 1982 he founded the Orange County chapter of Hermandad Mexicana Nacional (HMN) based in Santa Ana, an organization dedicated to improving the social and political conditions of Latinos in the United States. He

was involved in successful efforts to win a large-scale amnesty for undocumented immigrants in 1986, and the years-long campaign to allow undocumented immigrants to obtain drivers' licenses in the 1990s.

In 1996 Lopez and Hermandad was instrumental on a Latino get-out-the-vote drive that helped Loretta Sanchez win California's 46th District seat in the U.S. Congress.

In 1996 Nativo was elected as a trustee of the Santa Ana Unified School District and served through 2003. Backed by the MALDEF—Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund—he claimed that the practice of printing initiative and recall petitions in English-only was a violation of the 1965 Voting Rights Act. This led to the state requiring Spanish-language petitions statewide in 2002, and local jurisdictions also providing multilingual election materials.

Nativo was a key co-organizer of the 2006 United States immigration reform protests. Over 500,000 people marched for comprehensive immigration reform in those marches in Los Angeles and Santa Ana. Nativo was leader in making this a reality.

Nativo has been a previous member of LULAC and has renewed his 2019 membership with Santa Ana LULAC Council No. 147. He has worked closely with LULAC National President Domingo Garcia to stop the building of the border wall and continuing his struggle for the adoption of a comprehensive immigration reform that has a smooth pathway towards citizenship.

Nativo Lopez is truly a fighter for the immigrant community, and I am proud to honor his commitment to the community.

CELEBRATING THE COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP OF MR. D. SCOTT KARNs

HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. PERRY. Madam Speaker, today I recognize and celebrate Mr. D. Scott Karns, a dedicated husband, father, grandfather, mentor, business owner and community leader from Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania.

After graduating from Messiah College with a B.S. in Business Administration, Mr. Karns joined his father, David, at the family grocery business, Karns Quality Foods, in 1977. Upon joining the company, Scott began learning every facet of the business, and in 1989, he succeeded his father as Chief Executive Officer.

Mr. Karns takes great pride in operating Karns Quality Foods with his family, which has grown to eight stores in Central Pennsylvania that total over 370,000 square feet, employs over 1,200 associates, and serves 100,000 customers each week. Mr. Karns and his team have capitalized on the advantages of a locally-owned and -operated business by catering directly to their customers' needs and requests. Their hard work and dedication has resulted in Karns Quality Foods recognition as the premier meat and seafood store in the greater Harrisburg area.

In addition to his business leadership, Mr. Karns recently was honored by the Boy Scouts of America New Birth of Freedom

Council for his generous contributions to one of our prized, American institutions. In addition, he's served on the board of the Pennsylvania Food Merchants Association and the advisory board of Channels Food Rescue. In his spare time, Scott enjoys traveling with Marleen, his wife of 37 years, supporting his church and community, cooking up new recipes, hitting the links, and spending time with his grandchildren.

On behalf of Pennsylvania's Tenth Congressional District, I'm honored to recognize the leadership and community involvement of Mr. D. Scott Karns. I thank and commend him for his tireless service, commitment and leadership to the Central Pennsylvania region.

RECOGNIZING THE 2019 TYSONS REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce and to congratulate the incoming 2019 board members.

Tyson's has drastically transformed during the past 56 years from a sleepy, rural area to one of the most vibrant regions in the country. This change began when the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors approved plans for the Tysons Corner Shopping Center in 1962. When the mall opened in 1968, it was hailed as the largest enclosed mall in the world.

Since then, there has been a dramatic influx of technology companies, government contracting firms, and other corporations. Tysons has become the premier business district of the Washington Metropolitan Area and is one of the largest employment centers in the United States. With the opening of Metro's Silver Line and ongoing redevelopment, the region is expected to continue adding not only businesses but also high-density residential housing. 45 million square feet of transit-oriented development is already present in Tysons and more is on the way.

The mission of the Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce is to be the unified voice of the business community while ensuring that its ties and commitment to the community are strengthened.

The Chamber actively promotes local nonprofits and community organizations as well as youth educational programs, and it sponsors multiple events each year in support of these activities. The growth of the Chamber has been the result of the diversity of its members and the leadership of its Board. I am pleased to include in the RECORD the names of the incoming 2019 board members:

Chairman of the Board: Tucker Gladhill
At-Large Members: Alex Levy, Andrew Clark, Anthony Anikeeff, Audrey Lustre, Chris Tomseth, David MacGillivray, Diana Villareal, Dr. Michelle Walker, Frederick Keown, Gina Gagliardi, James Lawson, Jeffrey Krashin, Jonathan LaCroix, Kara Shelton, Kara Mayle, Kathleen Kelley, Kathy McNeill, Kevin Corey, Maureen Loftus, Maureen Caufield, Miriam Tadross, Rod Loges, Rodney Lusk, Samim Ardeishar, Sanjay Srikantiah, Suzan Zimmerman, Timothy Klinkner, Uppasna Chand, Virginia Case, and Walter Kim.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the incoming board members and in commending the Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce for its commitment to promoting the business community while encouraging social responsibility and civic engagement. I wish the Chamber the very best for its continued growth and success.

CASEY PFENNING

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Casey Pfening for receiving the Adams County Mayor and Commissioners Youth Award.

The Youth Award focuses on teenagers who have overcome personal adversity and created positive changes in their lives and their community. The program provides businesses, the community and civic leaders an opportunity to support young people in their communities and recognize their accomplishments. Casey is the perfect recipient for this award because despite adversities and challenges, he has become an inspiration and role model for his peers.

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

I extend my deepest congratulations to Casey Pfening for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

TRIBUTE TO DR. DIANE L. EVANS—28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my Congressional District. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Dr. Diane L. Evans of La Crescenta, California.

Dr. Evans has been the Director for Earth Science and Technology Directorate at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) for the last fifteen years, and is the first woman to lead the Earth Science activities at JPL. During her tenure, the Directorate has grown substantially in annual funding and the number of spaceborne missions in development has increased as well.

Dr. Evans holds a Bachelor's Degree in Geology from Occidental College in Los Angeles and both a Master of Science and a Ph.D. de-

gree in Geological Sciences from the University of Washington in Seattle. A member of many international science teams, Diane has been a principal investigator on several research activities sponsored by NASA.

Diane is responsible for the implementation, development and operations of JPL's Earth Science flight experiments and missions. One such mission was entitled "Grace" and accomplished its main goal of measuring the Earth's gravity field and measuring water loss from major aquifers and ice loss from Greenland. The Grace mission represents one mission whose science results have expended beyond its original objectives to include other crucial measurements, thus making key contributions to understanding our world. Dr. Evans has been instrumental in defining the missions, which often include domestic and foreign partnerships.

Earth Science research at JPL, which is also under Diane's direction, include research areas of oceanography, geophysics, climate, atmospheric composition and combines a wide spectrum of advanced technologies. Dr. Evans has chaired many planning committees for NASA and other academic institutions, has authored more than one hundred research publications and conference presentations in the areas of geologic and radar remote sensing and has presented many courses on these topics globally. For her outstanding leadership and accomplishments in the development of Earth science missions, Diane has received many awards including the NASA Outstanding Leadership Medal.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring this exceptional, well-respected woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Dr. Diane L. Evans.

IN RECOGNITION OF CAROLINE SERRATO

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Ms. SPEIER. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor Caroline Serrato upon her retirement from the Hillsborough Police Department after 23 years of service to the residents of Hillsborough, California, and after 31 years in law enforcement. Caroline Serrato has enjoyed a long career in law enforcement dating back to May 20, 1988 when she was first sworn in as a peace officer and park ranger for the City of Escondido.

The City of Brisbane benefited from Caroline's leadership where she served starting in 1993. For a brief time, she was also a peace officer for the University of San Francisco where she attained the rank of Inspector and then Sergeant.

The Town of Hillsborough recruited Caroline in 1996 and she quickly proved to be an exemplary addition to its police force. She was the first school liaison officer and was promoted to Inspector in 1998 and to Corporal in 2001. Hillsborough's policing environment is specialized. In addition to the town's rolling hills and leafy streets, both deceptively serene yet creating a complex web to patrol, you can add the challenge of protecting visiting luminaries and leadership from around the globe. Caroline met the challenge by being professional and polite, firm but fair. She was quickly

identified as a leader by the department's managers and became a Sergeant in 2002.

In 2007 she was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and assumed even greater management duties, and in 2011 she became a Captain. During her years of service, Caroline Serrato gained the trust of residents and town leadership by becoming the project manager for large scale projects that benefitted residents. Communicating as a police department in the modern era requires that key information systems and social media platforms either be created or updated regularly. With no fanfare but profound impact, she either led or assisted in these projects.

During her service, Caroline Serrato was responsible for investigating and obtaining the conviction of countless criminals. Residents could be confident that when Caroline Serrato was investigating their case, the job was being performed by a true professional. She also mentored others so that she could be a force multiplier for the police department, and she provided training to both the public and the staff to ensure that both were able to protect themselves. In short, this small police department was able to handle much larger responsibilities because Caroline's willingness to teach others how to become outstanding officers.

Caroline Serrato holds a Bachelor's Degree in Management from St. Mary's College where she graduated with honors, and she attended the Delinquency Control Institute at the University of Southern California. When cities throughout our county decided to exchange talented individuals from other communities, and to expend the funds needed to provide training, city management sent Caroline to the city manager's office to learn about city management from Daly City.

Madam Speaker, Caroline Serrato's commitment to Hillsborough could never be doubted, nor could her commitment to the highest standards of law enforcement. We celebrate her retirement after 31 years in law enforcement. Her career proves the point that if law enforcement is performed with an even hand and with justice close to the heart, then body-worn cameras throughout our nation will record that democracy is safe in America.

JUDITH SOLIS MARTINEZ

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Judith Solis Martinez for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

The Youth Award focuses on teenagers who have overcome personal adversity and created positive changes in their lives and their community. The program provides businesses, the community and civic leaders an opportunity to support young people in their communities and recognize their accomplishments. Judith is the perfect recipient for this award because despite adversities and challenges, she has become an inspiration and role model for her peers.

The dedication and leadership demonstrated by Judith is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and

perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Judith Solis Martinez for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL TO PROVIDE FOR INTERIM APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURTS AND RELATED AGENCIES WITH RESPECT TO ANY FISCAL YEAR FOR WHICH APPROPRIATIONS ARE NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR SUCH COURTS AND AGENCIES

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, today, I introduce a bill that would exempt from federal government shutdowns the federal and independent civil and criminal justice system law enforcement agencies that are exclusively or primarily federally funded but have exclusive jurisdiction over District of Columbia matters. This bill is modeled on a provision I have been able to get enacted each year since the 2013 shutdown to exempt the D.C. government from shutdowns.

This bill would exempt the following agencies from federal government shutdowns: Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency, D.C. Courts, D.C. Public Defender Service, D.C. Commission on Judicial Disabilities and Tenure, D.C. Judicial Nomination Commission, and D.C. Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. These agencies are not under the District's control and are funded exclusively by the federal government, with one exception, the D.C. Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, which is an independent agency within the D.C. government with federal members primarily, but not exclusively, funded by the federal government. However, these agencies provide critical local services to the District, including law enforcement, and should continue to function during a shutdown.

Each of these agencies was adversely affected by the recent 35-day shutdown, including canceled services and furloughed employees. My bill would allow these agencies to continue to function during a shutdown, in much the same way that the D.C. government itself is now exempt from shutting down during a federal shutdown. I urge my colleagues to support this important bill.

TRIBUTE TO KAREN KNAPP—28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contribu-

tions and sacrifices made by our nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my Congressional District. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Karen Knapp of the Atwater Village area of Los Angeles.

Born in Levittown, New York, Karen's family moved to California when she was five years old. She lived in Northern California until 1976 when she moved to Hollywood, California to work in the movie industry. Karen's acting roles included the "Voice of the Devil" in the sequel movie to "The Exorcist," a small part in "The Incredible Shrinking Woman" movie, roles on the stage and voice-over jobs, while working at various jobs as a restaurant manager, driving instructor and waitress to support herself. Karen then worked at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Publications Department as the Graphics Manager for fourteen years and after UCLA closed the department, began working for the Los Angeles County Museum of Art as the Graphics Manager in their Graphic Design Department.

A homeowner in Atwater Village since 2004, after Ms. Knapp retired, she became involved in national and local politics, and began volunteering for various organizations, such as the Sustainability Alliance and the Alliance of River Communities. In 2012, she was elected to the Atwater Village Neighborhood Council, where she is currently serving her third term. As a councilmember, Karen participates in a variety of committees, attends Los Angeles City Council meetings and organizes activities. In addition to her service on the Atwater Village Neighborhood Council, Karen has been a dedicated, hardworking volunteer for the Friends of the Los Angeles River's Great Los Angeles River Cleanup, which is known as the largest urban river cleanup in the nation.

Ms. Knapp enjoys helping out her friends and neighbors, working on various home repair projects and gardening. She shares her home with her rescue cat and dog.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring this exceptional, well-respected woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Karen Knapp.

RECOGNIZING THE 2019 VIENNA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Vienna Business Association (VBA) and to congratulate the incoming members of the 2019 Board of Directors.

Vienna is known for its local charm and strong small business community. Money Magazine and CNN have both rated Vienna as one of the best places to live in the United States. The vibrant community spirit exhibited by its residents and local businesses has fostered an exceptional quality of life that is cherished by so many.

The Vienna Business Association is the voice of the greater Vienna business community. It promotes business opportunities and development through networking and increased interaction between the commercial and residential communities within the town.

Its members help maintain Vienna's small town feel by hosting and supporting many annual community events.

The VBA has thrived thanks to the diversity of its members and the leadership of its Board.

I am pleased to include in the RECORD the following names of the incoming members of the 2019 Board of Directors:

Incoming Chairman: Mark Sweeney; Incoming Board Members: Ann Cole, Kari Cannistraro, Michael Amouri, Karen Thayer, Bettina Lawton, Preeti Swaminathan, Jeff Bollettino, Greg Kunstbeck, Tim Fricker, Holly Siebold.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the incoming board members and in commending the Vienna Business Association for their commitment to promoting the business community while encouraging social responsibility. I wish them continued success in all their future endeavors.

DANIELLE PEASE

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Danielle Pease for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

The Youth Award focuses on teenagers who have overcome personal adversity and created positive changes in their lives and their community. The program provides businesses, the community and civic leaders an opportunity to support young people in their communities and recognize their accomplishments. Danielle is the perfect recipient for this award because despite adversities and challenges, she has become an inspiration and role model for her peers.

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

I extend my deepest congratulations to Danielle Pease for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

IN RECOGNITION OF CHARLES S. TEMEL

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a distinguished leader and dedicated advocate of the New York Jewish community, Mr. Charles S. Temel.

Mr. Temel has served for nearly three years as President of the Jewish Community Rela-

tions Council of New York (JCRC-NY). During that time he has led JCRC-NY in advocating for and ensuring the rights, interests, and values of the New York Jewish community.

Mr. Temel is being honored on April 9th, at the JCRC-NY's 2019 Gala Dinner for his extraordinary leadership and contributions to this organization that he has led for the past three years.

Under Mr. Temel's leadership, not only has JCRC-NY helped strengthen the Jewish community in New York, it has also operated at the local community level to form partnerships with other ethnic and religious communities to solve issues that are of collective concern. These cross-organizational coalitions serve to promote understanding and cultural appreciation across diverse communities while improving local resources such as health services, nonprofit operations and governance, and the special needs of the aging, émigrés, and youth.

In addition to his exemplary leadership of JCRC-NY, Mr. Temel has served many other worthy nonprofit organizations over the years including the American Friends of Ben-Gurion University's executive and investment committees, the latter of which he chaired. Additionally, he is an active member of the Cornell University Library Advisory, the Cornell University Council, and the Cornell Friends of Jewish Studies through his alma mater, Cornell University.

Mr. Temel has also led a successful professional career as an accomplished consultant in the financial services industry. He currently works as Managing Director at UBS Financial Services, Inc., focusing on portfolio construction and investment returns. He has been named as one of the "Top 400 Financial Advisors in the United States" by the Financial Times from 2014-2019. He has been recognized in Barron's Best-in-States Advisors List for 2019. Additionally, he was named to the Forbes Best-In-State Wealth Advisors List in 2018 and 2019.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Charles S. Temel for the honor he is receiving tomorrow night and to recognize all he has done to strengthen New York's Jewish community, help unify New York's diverse ethnic and religious communities, and create a better New York for all.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF MAJOR ALLEN SANDERSON, JR.

HON. LARRY BUCSHON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. BUCSHON. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the service of Major Allen Sanderson Jr., and to thank him for his dedication to educating young Hoosiers and ensuring the preservation of the history of the United States of America.

Born in Roanoke, Virginia on November 17, 1922, Allen Sanderson enlisted in the United States Army Air Corps as a Lieutenant in 1942. Over the course of his service in World War II, Major Sanderson took part in more than 118 flight missions in his P-47 Thunder-

bolt "Lady Jane" as a member of the 64th Fighter Squadron, including two missions over the beaches of Normandy on D-Day in 1944. After being honorably discharged after the war, Major Sanderson pursued a career in finance as a credit manager.

However, Major Sanderson's service to his community did not stop when he left the military. After moving to Evansville, IN, Allen began volunteering with the Evansville War-time Museum, eventually becoming a board member of the museum and serving as its World War II veteran liaison.

In this capacity, Allen has passed on his stories and experiences from the war to thousands of students who visited the museum, or whose classes he visited from across Southwestern Indiana over the last seven years. Mr. Sanderson's firsthand experiences allow him to bring the events and history of WWII to life in a way that a textbook never could, and is an invaluable asset to the Evansville community. Even today at the age of 96, Major Sanderson continues his efforts, educating young Hoosiers and telling his incredible story.

I join Major Sanderson's friends, family, and community in thanking him for his service and sacrifice to our country, and for his continued dedication to preserving our history and educating young Hoosiers.

RECOGNIZING FATHER ANDREW GREEN ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

HON. RAUL RUIZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. RUIZ. Madam Speaker, I rise to congratulate Father Andrew Green on his retirement after 30 years of leading the St. Paul in the Desert Episcopal Church.

Father Green joined St. Paul in the Desert in December 1988. From his earliest days in our Valley, Father Green has been a generous and compassionate leader.

Father Green was a trailblazer who advocated for the Coachella Valley's LGBTQI community at a time when few religious leaders would. He was one of the first religious leaders to bury AIDS sufferers and many same-sex couples. Through his words and actions, he lives a gospel that recognizes the equality of all people and the fundamental dignity of humanity.

Outside of his parish, Father Green brought his leadership to the Desert AIDS Project's board of directors, where he served as a member of the board for 18 years. He also helped empower young people with a quality education through his work with the Palm Springs Unified School District. A generation of tomorrow's leaders owe him their gratitude.

From feeding the hungry to advocating for the LGBTQI community, Father Green's commitment to serving others knew no bounds. By doing good, he brings out the best in others. His life demonstrates that love always wins.

Father Green has touched the lives of so many people, spreading love to every corner of our Desert. I have no doubt that his legacy of faith and grace will continue to uplift our Valley for years to come. I wish him a long, healthy, and happy retirement.

RECOGNIZING THE 2018–2019 PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS DIVISION ON OBTAINING CERTIFICATION OR RECERTIFICATION BY THE NATIONAL BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to congratulate the educators serving in the Prince William County Public Schools Division on obtaining certification or recertification by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

Founded in 1987, the National Board was established by teachers for teachers as the premier vehicle for defining and recognizing accomplished educators. Today, this independent nonprofit organization remains dedicated to supporting excellence in education and is governed by classroom teachers, school administrators, school board leaders, governors, state legislators, higher education officials, teacher union leaders, and business and community leaders.

A National Board Certification denotes the most respected professional certification available in the education field. Obtaining certification and completing the renewal process is a personal and public statement of one's commitment to the evolution of effective instruction methods. In order to obtain the distinction, teachers must display a mastering of the standards established by the National Board by successfully completing a rigorous multi-component assessment that demonstrates that he or she has acquired the knowledge, skills, and practices required of an accomplished educator. Certified educators support a vision of teaching based on the following five core propositions:

Teachers are committed to students and their learning;

Teachers know the subjects they teach and how to teach those subjects to students;

Teachers are responsible for managing and monitoring student learning;

Teachers think systematically about their practice and learn from experience; and

Teachers are members of learning communities.

I extend my personal congratulations and appreciation to the following 2018 National Board Certified Teachers for receiving their respective certifications and renewals:

Amber Tiernan, Patriot High School.

Amanda Proch, Gifted Education.

Amy Ivory, Colgan High School.

Christina Sherman, Marumsco Hills Elementary School.

Julie Faith, Stonewall Jackson High School.

Carolyn Ciminelli, Old Bridge Elementary School.

Leah Krucelyak, Beville Middle School.

Ashley Marland, Covington-Harper Elementary School.

Andrea Wilkey, Featherstone Elementary School.

Allan Weberg, Potomac High School.

Todd Hayes, Hylton High School.

Chris Proch, Woodbridge High School.

Melonie Yielding, Ellis Elementary School.

Timothy L. Wilson, Mary F. Williams Elementary School.

Shannon Speights, Dumfries Elementary School.

Amy Wise, Rippon Middle School.

Jennifer Roberts, Piney Branch Elementary School.

Susan Bowden, West Gate Elementary School.

Melissa Callaghan, Cedar Point Elementary School.

Krista Oldenburg, Benton Middle School.

Connie Schumacher, Stonewall Middle School.

Kathleen Hugh, Woodbridge High School.

Stephanie Ryan, Coles Elementary School.

Donna C. Morgan, Professional Development.

Ashley Abraham, Brentsville District High School.

Kristen Augsburger, Battlefield High School.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in commending these teachers for their commitment to education, professional development, and the students of Prince William County Public Schools. The world-class education provided to our students is due to the tireless efforts of teachers who make excellence the standard and I thank them for their invaluable contributions.

TRIBUTE TO PAT KRAMER—28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my Congressional District. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Pat Kramer of Sunland, California.

Pat Kramer is a communications expert who creates original content for business and corporate entities for their marketing, outreach and public relations efforts. For over thirty years, she has worked as a consultant to companies in education, entertainment, healthcare, financial services, real estate, transportation, politics, arts and culture, cities, agencies and non-profit organizations to improve their communications materials. Over the course of her career, Ms. Kramer has written for the Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles Business Journal, Variety, City News, and many industry-based publications.

Today, Pat focuses on ghostwriting memoirs, books and articles for her clients, and especially enjoys writing memoirs for senior citizens to help preserve their legacy for future generations. Pat is a regular guest speaker at various business events, and shares her expertise educating public high school students who are interested in communications careers. Some of the professional organizations Pat has been a member of include the National Association of Women Business Owners, Entertainment Publicists Professional Society, Independent Writers of Southern California and Business & Professional Women of Sunland-Tujunga.

A dedicated volunteer in her community, Pat's activities include over thirty years of participation in the Sierra Club, Angeles Chapter, where she has held leadership positions and advocates for issues affecting the quality of life in the foothills. A Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council (STNC) member for many years, some of her accomplishments on the council include helping to complete a decade-long project to create a new community park in Sunland, Oro Vista Park, as Inventory Chairperson, organizing the STNC's 2017 move to North Valley City Hall, which involved managing volunteers, overseeing inventory of supplies and historical records, and co-chairing the 2018 STNC's Emergency Preparedness Day. In addition, Pat chaired the Ad Hoc Signage Committee and currently chairs the STNC's Safe Traffic and Transportation Committee, which creates informative monthly meetings about improving safety on Sunland-Tujunga's streets.

In addition to her outstanding work in the community, Ms. Kramer is passionate about animal rescue work, and has been working to try to initiate the City of Los Angeles Department of Animal Service's Volunteer Animal Officer program and supports other worthwhile animal rescue organizations.

Born and raised in Worcester, Massachusetts, Pat credits her grandparents, immigrants from the Ukraine, with teaching her good values, installing in her the importance of hard work, while encouraging her to follow her dreams. As a result of doing what she loves and thanks to her grandparents' influence, Pat's full life includes hiking, gardening and caring for her three rescue dogs.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring this exceptional, well-respected woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Pat Kramer.

HONORING MS. ANN M. GALLAGHER (NÉE BOYLE)

HON. DONALD S. BEYER, JR.

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. BEYER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in celebrating the exemplary life of Ms. Ann M. Gallagher (née Boyle). Ms. Gallagher passed away on March 25, 2019 at the age of 96 and is survived by nine nieces and nephews, eleven grandnieces and nephews, and ten great-grandnieces and nephews.

Ms. Gallagher spent her life in distinguished service to her country, working as an intelligence operative during World War II for the Office of Strategic Services ("OSS"), the predecessor of the CIA, followed by a 30-year career as a civilian intelligence official in the Department of Defense.

Ms. Gallagher was born in 1923 in Hazleton, Pennsylvania and graduated from high school there in 1940. She began her career as a clerk-typist in Philadelphia and Washington, D.C. before joining the OSS in 1943. While working at the OSS, Ms. Gallagher participated in an operation in the Mediterranean, parachuting into a small, German-held island and planting a listening device before successfully being ferried back to Allied lines by boat.

As a civilian intelligence official with the military post-war, Ms. Gallagher was posted with counterintelligence corps at the U.S. Embassy

in Berlin from 1964 to 1967. From June 1948 to May 1951 she served as the Civilian Director of Intelligence for the USAF. Following this, she was the Defense Attaché for the U.S. Air Force in New Delhi from May 1951 to August 1953. She rose to become Assistant Chief of Staff for the Air Force Intelligence Department in May 1954 until June 1962, when she began her 14-year role in counterintelligence with the Defense Intelligence Agency.

Madam Speaker, for these reasons, I ask the House of Representatives to join me in remembering the life of Ms. Ann M. Gallagher (née Boyle).

CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AUBURN KIWANIS CLUB

HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. KATKO. Madam Speaker, I rise today in celebration of the Auburn Kiwanis Club's 100th anniversary. Throughout the course of its history, the Auburn Kiwanis Club has tirelessly worked to serve our community and improve the lives of underprivileged children and adults.

Since its founding in 1919, the Auburn Kiwanis Club has included a diverse membership of men and women of all ages who are committed to public service. Members of the Auburn Kiwanis Club are focused on conducting service-oriented projects, undertaking a variety of initiatives such as fighting hunger and early childhood development.

In addition to focusing on service projects, the Kiwanis Club has also provided grants and scholarships to local individuals, charities, and causes. With the money raised from various events including the yearly Auburn Kiwanis Duck Derby, the Auburn Kiwanis Club has been able to sponsor two annual academic scholarships and award over \$750,000 over the past 30 years.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues in the House join me in celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Auburn Kiwanis Club. This organization has consistently and diligently provided Auburn with a devoted group of public servants committed to supporting all members of their community. Central New York truly benefits from the Auburn Kiwanis Club's commitment to our region.

JEREMY POWELL

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Jeremy Powell for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

The Youth Award focuses on teenagers who have overcome personal adversity and created positive changes in their lives and their community. The program provides businesses, the community and civic leaders an opportunity to support young people in their communities and recognize their accomplishments.

Jeremy is the perfect recipient for this award because despite adversities and challenges, he has become an inspiration and role model for his peers.

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

I extend my deepest congratulations to Jeremy Powell for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

TRIBUTE TO KATHY JANE ONOYE, ED.D.—28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my Congressional District. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Kathy Jane Onoye, Ed.D. of Pasadena, California.

Dr. Onoye holds a Bachelor of Arts degree and a state Lifetime Elementary Teaching Credential from the University of California, Santa Barbara, a state Administrative Service Credential and Master of Arts degree from the California State University, Los Angeles, a Master of Science degree from Pepperdine University, Los Angeles, and a Doctor of Education and a School Business Management Program Certificate of Completion from the University of Southern California (USC).

Kathy admirably served the Pasadena Unified School District for over four decades, beginning in 1971 as a classroom teacher at Audubon Primary School, then serving as a Principal, Curriculum Resource Teacher and Mathematics Resource Teacher at Willard Elementary School, until her retirement in 2014 as Executive Director, Elementary, K-6 & K-8 Curriculum and Instruction for PUSD. In addition, Kathy was a Master Teacher for USC, a Master Teacher for Pacific Oaks College, has conducted many educational conferences and workshops, and was instrumental in helping Willard Elementary School achieve its International Baccalaureate status.

A true leader in her profession, some of the educational organizations and committees Dr. Onoye has served on include the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA), the Association of Pasadena School Administrators, Member of PUSD's Technology Committee, and a Member of the Advisory Committee for Professional Growth for the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, State of California. Kathy's past and present community involvement includes serving on the boards of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Pasadena, Young and Healthy, Pasadena Educational Foundation and Delta Kappa Gamma, as a member of the Greater Pasadena Japanese American Citizens League and the San

Rafael Library Associates, leadership positions at All Saints Episcopal Church and as a volunteer at Huntington Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Onoye has been the recipient of numerous commendations, including PUSD and ACSA Administrator of the Year Awards, the PUSD Outstanding Teacher Award, several Title I Academic Achievement Awards, a California Business for Educational Excellence and Just for Kids Star Honor School Award, USC Research Awards and the Women's Clubs Council of Pasadena's Outstanding Community Service Award.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring this exceptional, well-respected woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Dr. Kathy Jane Onoye.

RECOGNIZING THE BURKE VOLUNTEER FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Burke Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department on the occasion of its 71st Annual Installation of Officers Banquet, and to thank its volunteers for filling an essential role in keeping our community safe.

The Burke Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department was founded in January 1948, and for more than 6 decades it has provided life-saving fire suppression/prevention and emergency medical and rescue services to the residents of Burke and the surrounding communities. It also provides, houses, and maintains firefighting and emergency medical equipment, provides opportunities for professional growth and development for the membership, and maintains and fosters a strong viable organization.

As one of the county's most active volunteer fire and rescue departments, the Burke Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department works in cooperation with the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department to serve the community. In the last year, the Department responded to 3,829 incidents and provided over 22,000 hours of volunteer service to the community. I am honored to recognize the dedicated men and women who have volunteered for extra duty as Officers or as members of the Board of Directors and to include in the RECORD their names:

Board of Directors—President: Ian Dickinson; Vice President: John Powers; Secretary: Amy Gold; Treasurer: Patrick Owens; Members at Large: Larry Bocknek, Matthew Bryant, Kenneth Senn.

Officers—Chief: Thomas Warnock; Deputy Chief: Tina Godfrey; Deputy Chief: John Hudak; Captain I: Melissa Ashby; Captain II: Larry Bockneck; Captain II: Keith O'Connor; Lieutenant: Emily Fincher; Lieutenant: Kevin Grottle; Sergeant: Peter Hamilton; Sergeant: Caitlin Curran; Chaplain: Harry Chelpon.

In addition to the men and women who have generously assumed the responsibilities of serving as an Officer or a member of the Board of Directors, the Burke Volunteer Fire Department is also presenting awards to the following individuals in recognition of their exemplary service during the last year.

Officer of the Year: SGT Caitlin Curran
 Administrative Member of the Year: Heather Heflin
 Rookie of the Year: EMT Susan Weeks
 Career Member of the Year: LT Walter "Al" Deihl
 Firefighter of the Year: FF/EMT Ian Dickinson
 EMS Provider of the Year: Paramedic Barry Brown
 Team Award: Hall Business Team
 Team Award: IT Business Team
 Chief's Award: CPT II Melissa Ashby
 President's Award: EMT Elizabeth Bartlett
 Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the department for over seventy years of service and in thanking all of the brave volunteers who do not hesitate to drop everything when the community calls in need of help. To all of these men and women who put themselves in harm's way to protect our residents, I say: "Stay safe."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ILHAN OMAR

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Ms. OMAR. Madam Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 126.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, April 9, 2019 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

APRIL 10

9:15 a.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations
 To hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2020 for the Department of State.

SD-419

10 a.m.

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
 To hold hearings to examine perspectives on child nutrition reauthorization.

SH-216

Committee on Appropriations
 Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies
 To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the Department of Justice.

SD-192

Committee on Appropriations
 Subcommittee on Department of Defense
 To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the National Guard and Reserve.

SD-138

Committee on Armed Services
 Subcommittee on SeaPower
 To hold hearings to examine Marine Corps ground modernization and naval aviation programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2020 and Future Years Defense Program.

SR-232A

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
 To hold hearings to examine broadband mapping, focusing on challenges and solutions.

SD-G50

Committee on Environment and Public Works
 Business meeting to consider S. 383, to support carbon dioxide utilization and direct air capture research, to facilitate the permitting and development of carbon capture, utilization, and sequestration projects and carbon dioxide pipelines, S. 747, to reauthorize the diesel emissions reduction program, an original bill entitled, "John F. Kennedy Center Reauthorization Act of 2019", and 8 General Services Administration resolutions.

SD-406

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
 To hold hearings to examine reauthorizing the Higher Education Act, focusing on strengthening accountability to protect students and taxpayers.

SD-430

Committee on the Judiciary
 To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Jeffrey A. Rosen, of Virginia, to be Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; and Jeffrey Vincent Brown, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, Stephanie L. Haines, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, and Brantley Starr, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas.

SD-226

10:15 a.m.

Committee on Finance
 To hold hearings to examine the 2019 tax filing season and the 21st century Internal Revenue Service.

SD-215

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Appropriations
 Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development
 To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the United States Army Corps of Engineers and the Bureau of Reclamation within the Department of the Interior.

SD-138

Committee on Armed Services
 Subcommittee on Cybersecurity
 To hold closed hearings to examine defense industrial base cybersecurity policy.

SVC-217

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
 Subcommittee on Transportation and Safety
 To hold hearings to examine pipeline safety, focusing on Federal oversight and stakeholder perspectives.

SD-562

Committee on Indian Affairs
 To hold hearings to examine building out Indian country, focusing on tools for community development.

SD-628

Committee on the Judiciary
 Subcommittee on the Constitution
 To hold hearings to examine free speech, focusing on technological censorship and the public discourse.

SD-226

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship
 To hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the Small Business Administration's international trade programs.

SR-428A

Committee on Veterans' Affairs
 To hold hearings to examine VA MISSION Act, focusing on implementing the Veterans Community Care Program.

SR-418

3 p.m.

Committee on Appropriations
 Subcommittee on Legislative Branch
 To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the Government Accountability Office and the Congressional Budget Office.

SD-124

APRIL 11

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services
 To hold hearings to examine the proposal to establish a United States Space Force.

SD-G50

10 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations
 Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies
 To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the Department of Agriculture.

SD-192

Committee on Appropriations
 Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies
 To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the National Institutes of Health.

SD-124

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
 Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet
 To hold hearings to examine illegal robocalls.

SH-216

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
 To hold hearings to examine opportunities for energy innovation and other

potential solutions to help address global climate change.

SD-366

to be Ambassador to the Republic of Turkey, all of the Department of State.

SD-419

fiscal year 2020 for the Department of Homeland Security.

SD-138

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Kate Marie Byrnes, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Macedonia, Edward F. Crawford, of Ohio, to be Ambassador to Ireland, and David Michael Satterfield, of Missouri,

POSTPONEMENTS

APRIL 11

10 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for

Committee on the Judiciary

Business meeting to consider S. 820, to strengthen programs authorized under the Debbie Smith Act of 2004, and the nominations of Ronald D. Vitiello, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, and Virgil Madden, of Indiana, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission.

SD-226