

# 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

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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

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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.