

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.