

# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TRIBUTE TO LARA YERETSIAN—  
28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
WOMAN OF THE YEAR

**HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 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, Lara Yeretsian of Hollywood, California.

Before moving to the United States, Lara and her family experienced hardship during the civil war in Lebanon. Her parents, who were wholeheartedly devoted to giving Lara and her three sisters a good life and a loving home, established Sasoun Bakery, a renowned Armenian bakery in the Little Armenia area of Hollywood, and enrolled Lara and her siblings in the local Armenian school. Lara continued her education at Southwestern Law School in Los Angeles, and received her J.D. degree in 1997, followed by her LL.M. degree in International and Comparative Law from Georgetown University Law Center in 1998. She interned for Judge Bert Glennon of the Los Angeles County Superior Court in California, and for Judge Robert M. Takasugi of the United States District Court for the Central District of California.

A well-respected and successful criminal defense attorney, and fluent in English, Armenian and Arabic, Lara spent a decade working on various high-profile cases at the law firm of Geragos & Geragos. Later, she founded her own firm, Yeretsian Law, and continues to work as an uplifting and compassionate guide for her clients. Recognized as a Southern California Super Lawyer for 2019, Lara’s professionalism and achievements have not gone unnoticed. In addition to her many accomplishments as an attorney, Ms. Yeretsian has authored numerous articles regarding issues that impact the criminal justice system.

In spite of her tremendously successful career, Lara never lost sight of her passion to give back, and her benevolence, leadership and advocacy are reflected in her philanthropic work in the community. Currently, she serves on the Board of Directors of the Armenian Bone Marrow Donor Registry and the Los Angeles City College Foundation, and as co-chair of the Hollywood chapter of the Armenian National Committee of America. Ms. Yeretsian also serves as chairperson of the Police Permit Review Panel of the Los Angeles Police Commission.

Lara is married to Hratch Manuelian, and they have two sons, David and Christopher.

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

HONORING THE FALLBROOK UNION  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FOR SERVING OUR MILITARY  
FAMILIES

**HON. MIKE LEVIN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. LEVIN of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the students and faculty of Fallbrook Union Elementary School District.

Last month, my staff met with administrators from Fallbrook Union who brought dozens of letters and drawings from the students of Mary Fay Pendleton Elementary School. The students shared what they liked most about their school. Ashton said “I love PE, when we play tug-of-war” while Alina said she loves Mary Fay “because we have a great librarian and a big library.” Taelin said that “at this school I like to help people that do not have a friend and help people in need.”

Mary Fay serves military-connected students living on Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base. These students have parents who are serving their country on base or deployed abroad. Mary Fay creates a safe learning environment for its students and encourages them to dream and succeed.

These students are benefiting from a top-notch public education at an Impact Aid school. School districts across the country cross into land owned by the Federal Government, including military bases. These schools must operate with less local revenue because federal lands are exempt from local property taxes. It is our responsibility to ensure that schools like Mary Fay have the necessary resources to succeed by including sufficient funding for Impact Aid schools in the FY2020 budget. I was proud to join my colleagues in calling for the Appropriations Committee to support strong and continued funding for the Impact Aid Program.

I am honored to represent Mary Fay Pendleton Elementary School and I thank them for serving our military community. I especially want to thank the teachers of the entire Fallbrook Union Elementary School District for their heroic work and for encouraging their students to engage in the democratic process at a young age.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. VICENTE GONZALEZ**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas. Madam Speaker, I was unable to cast my vote on April 8, 2019 for Roll Call Vote 157, Roll Call 158, and Roll Call Vote 159. Had I been present, my vote would have been the following: Yea on Roll Call Vote 157, Yea on Roll Call 158, and Yea on Roll Call 159.

SASHA BAILEY

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Sasha Bailey 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. Sasha 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 Sasha 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 Sasha Bailey 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 NATIONAL FORMER  
POW RECOGNITION DAY AND  
THE JANESVILLE 99

**HON. BRYAN STEIL**

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. STEIL. Madam Speaker, today I rise in honor of National Former POW Recognition Day and the 77th anniversary of capture of U.S. soldiers on the Bataan Peninsula in the Philippines to the Imperial Japanese Army and the beginning of the Bataan Death March.

In November 1941, 99 soldiers from my hometown of Janesville, Wisconsin arrived on the Bataan Peninsula. These soldiers were known as the “Janesville 99” and composed Company A of the U.S. Army 192nd GHQ Light Tank Battalion. Less than three weeks after arriving to the Philippines, on December 8, 1941, Imperial Japan attacked.

For the next four months, out-gunned and under-supplied, sick and starving, these brave Wisconsinites fought the Battle of Bataan against a substantial Japanese invasion force. On April 9th, they were captured, tortured, and subjected to the Bataan Death March.

Only 35 of the original Janesville 99 returned after the War. This is a solemn reminder of the bravery and selfless sacrifices our service members make for our freedom. In Downtown Janesville, there is memorial to

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honor the Janesville 99. We must never forget our local heroes.

When President Ronald Reagan created the permanent National Former Prisoners of War Recognition Day on April 9, he said: “. . . It is truly fitting that America observe April 9 in recognition of our former prisoners of war; that date is the 46th anniversary of the day in 1942 when U.S. forces holding out on the Bataan Peninsula in the Philippines were captured. Later, as prisoners of war, these gallant Americans were subjected to the infamous Bataan Death March and to other inhumane treatment that killed thousands of them before they could be liberated. In every conflict, brutality has invariably been meted out to American prisoners of war; on April 9 and every day, we must remember with solemn pride and gratitude that valor and tenacity have ever been our prisoners’ response.”

Today, we recognize those who the fought the impossible and endured the unimaginable for freedom from tyranny and oppression. I thank all our POWs for their sacrifice. May the Janesville 99 rest in peace.

TRIBUTE TO LIEUTENANT  
COLONEL LAWRENCE M. DOANE

**HON. PAUL COOK**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. COOK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to thank Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence “Larry” M. Doane for his distinguished service to the Nation, especially while assigned to the National Capitol Region.

Larry served in my office as a Defense Fellow from January 2016 to December 2016. He worked diligently throughout his tenure, assisting in the 2016 National Defense Authorization Act process to ensure the continuation of our national defense. Larry built enduring relationships, making him an asset in representing the people of California’s Eighth Congressional District. In addition to working Defense policy, Larry became an expert on Veterans policies. In that capacity Larry demonstrated genuine care for every person he interacted with and he attacked every assignment to achieve swift resolutions.

As a Legislative Liaison in the National Guard Bureau Office of Legislative Liaisons from January 2017 to April 2019, Larry served as the lead liaison during a high-profile decision regarding stationing of four Army National Guard Apache battalions. This issue contained massive implications for Army Guard units, their states, and their Congressional representatives. Through direct engagements with senior Army leaders, the Chairmen of the Armed Services Committees, Professional Staff, and individual Member offices, Larry distilled the varied and complex stakeholder positions into clear, actionable courses of action for decision-makers to consider. This was among the most poignant displays of Larry’s ability to bridge communication between the Department of Defense and Congress on a complicated issue. Larry operated with ease in a high-visibility, stressful environment.

As Lieutenant Colonel Doane’s time in this assignment ends, he will continue his path as a Citizen-Soldier and assume command of 1st Squadron, 172nd Cavalry Regiment of the

Vermont National Guard’s 86th Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Mountain). Larry is supported in his military career by his wife, Melissa, and their four children. Please join me in congratulating Lieutenant Colonel Doane on his selection as a Battalion Commander and in expressing our gratitude for his and his family’s service to the Nation.

TRIBUTE TO LYNN ALVAREZ—28TH  
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Ms. Alvarez has a long and distinguished career as a philanthropist, non-profit administrator, law professor, and legal activist. She has helped both public and private institutions advance and govern their own respective initiatives, helping them to prosper with her unique expertise.

After Lynn earned a Juris Doctorate at the University of California, Berkeley, she headed off to New York City to join the litigation department of a major law firm, but soon realized her passion was more aligned with public interest law. She worked tirelessly as the legal director of a community-based organization representing Central American refugees, and subsequently worked on the national level in major class-action lawsuits representing the rights of immigrants. As a professor at the University of California, Los Angeles, Ms. Alvarez taught courses on professional ethics and immigration law.

Having served as a Board Member of non-profit organizations including Human Rights Watch, Para Los Niños, the Central American Refugee Center, and the Los Angeles Education Partnership, Lynn is known for her consistent advocacy of human rights and dignity for all people. Lynn was appointed to the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners by former Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and re-appointed as President of the Commission by Mayor Eric Garcetti in 2013. The Commission’s jurisdiction includes oversight and management of all park and recreation sites, annexation of public land for recreational reasons, and implementation of legal contracts and obligations.

Lynn and her husband, Steve Nissan along with their three wonderful sons enjoy the outdoor splendor of the City of Los Angeles parks; most particularly her “backyard park,” Griffith Park.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring an exceptional woman of California’s 28th Congressional District, Lynn Alvarez.

RYAN DANIEL

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Ryan Daniel 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. Ryan 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 Ryan 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 Ryan Daniel for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

RECOGNIZING INSTRUCTORS AT  
HENDERSON COUNTY HIGH  
SCHOOL

**HON. JAMES COMER**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. COMER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ashley Bailey, Lori Fulkerson, Jessica Sheffer, Dana Alves, and Amy Legate—instructors at Henderson County High School who are receiving the National Excellence in Action Award from the Department of Education and Advance CTE. These awards are given to competitive schools with impressive career and technical education programs that provide students hands-on experiences and exposure to local industry in the career fields they are interested in pursuing.

Established over 35 years ago, Henderson County High School’s outstanding Health Science program has grown tremendously and is now one of the largest CTE programs in Kentucky. Students choose from focus areas including allied health, pre-nursing, or medical administrative assisting to gain knowledge and training specific to their future careers.

All seniors enrolled in the program select a local health care facility partner to participate in work-based learning. Upon completion of the program, students can earn up to 12 college credits and five industry-recognized credentials. Henderson County High School partners closely with the local Henderson Community College to prepare students for postsecondary education by teaching relevant topics and skill sets.

I am thankful for Ashley Bailey, Lori Fulkerson, Jessica Sheffer, Dana Alves, and Amy Legate’s leadership and devotion to educating young minds in Kentucky’s 1st District.

Their efforts are setting students up for success in the high-demand healthcare industry. I look forward to the many future accomplishments from these educators and their students.

HONORING THE LIFE OF SALLY G. CARROLL

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. PAYNE. Madam Speaker, Sally G. Carroll was a trailblazer in law enforcement and past president of the Newark Branch of the NAACP. She dedicated her life to service. Miss Carroll passed away on April 1, 2019.

During her 97 years on this earth, Miss Carroll was a pillar in New Jersey's criminal justice system. She was one of the first African-American women to become an officer in the Newark Police Department. Miss Carroll later transferred to the Essex County Sheriff's Office, where she rose to the rank of detective. Miss Carroll then became the first woman to serve on the New Jersey Parole Board.

Throughout her lifetime of public service, Miss Carroll was active in the Newark Branch of the NAACP, where she served as President from 1967 to 1974. She was an active trustee of the Newark Museum and member of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women. Miss Carroll's active service to Newark, Essex County, and New Jersey reflected her deep devotion to improving people's lives.

I ask that my colleagues join me in honoring the life of Sally G. Carroll.

WELCOMING PASTOR MACKEY TO PILGRIM REST

HON. RUBEN GALLEGO

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. GALLEGO. Madam Speaker, I rise today alongside the Phoenix community to usher in a new chapter of spiritual leadership with the installation of Pastor Terry E. Mackey to Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church in Phoenix, Arizona.

I stood on this floor last year to honor the life of Bishop Alexis Thomas, who served for eighteen years as the Senior Pastor of Pilgrim Rest until his passing in January 2018. I worked alongside Bishop Thomas as a part of My Brother's Keeper, and I witnessed firsthand Pilgrim Rest's boundless growth under his guidance.

The greatest testament to that leadership is its longevity. Phoenix still feels Bishop Thomas's reach through the "Word Center" educational facility he constructed, and other efforts he oversaw: free light rail tickets for the homeless, food packages for low income elders, and free GED courses. I congratulate Pilgrim Rest on upholding the momentum of Bishop Thomas's contributions in his absence this past year.

Today, I have the opportunity to acknowledge the new life Pilgrim Rest will breathe into the Phoenix community in the coming years

as we welcome Reverend Terry Eugene Mackey as the church's 11th pastor.

In Houston, Pastor Mackey served as the Minister to Youth and Young Adults at Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church, one of the nation's largest predominantly African American churches. He then served as the Pastor of Riceville Mount Olive Baptist Church, where he tripled attendance and renewed the community's investment in religious life.

Pastor Mackey has demonstrated a lifelong commitment to community service and leadership, and his ambitions for Pilgrim Rest's future role in the lives of Phoenix residents are promising. He will continue to expand the church's presence by "striving for higher heights" in worship and membership, and "deeper depths" in discipleship and relationships with God and the community.

Madam Speaker, I believe the greatest reverence we can show our previous leaders—the teachers who built the foundations upon which we carry out our good work—is to build higher, in the spirit of the work that came before, and with an eye towards what the future needs of us. Pastor Mackey is a leader of just such foresight, and the people of Phoenix will be made a more diligent, faithful, and cohesive community because of his place at Pilgrim Rest.

ZION TRAN

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Zion Tran 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. Zion 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 Zion 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 Zion Tran for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

IN RECOGNITION OF JOHN BAYLISS

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of John Bayliss of Bayliss

Boatworks from Wanchese, North Carolina. John is the leader of a team who every day applies their experience and unique craftsmen touch in creating perfectly crafted vessels for their unique clientele.

Bayliss Boatworks was established in 2002. With a fishing background, self-motivated John, and his team built the company from the ground up. John and friends were able to draw up a number of contacts from the sportfishing community to begin their brand-new shop to create their exquisite boats used for fishing, travel and entertainment. John turned his passion into a profession. Since the establishment of the company, Bayliss Boatworks has risen to become one of the premier boat craftsmen in the world. I am fortunate to have known John for many years and be witness to the dedication he has for his family, colleagues, and Bayliss Boatworks. John is a visionary who is focused on the finest craftsmanship and assuring that the details of quality boatbuilding are central in the work done in all of Bayliss Boatworks shops. Servant leadership describes John's 17 years in boatbuilding. He puts his employees and customers first and is always willing to go the extra mile to help others. Humility, honesty, integrity, work ethic and love for his family, friends and co-workers are reflected in every aspect of his life. He has a deep, lifelong passion for sportfishing and boatbuilding and continues to build upon this legacy every day.

Madam Speaker, I ask you to join me in recognizing the accomplishments of John Bayliss as he and Bayliss Boatworks celebrate 17 years in operation. May God bless John and the operations of the Bayliss Boatworks, and I look forward to seeing their excellence for many years into the future.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I was unable to vote on Monday, April 8, 2019 due to flight complications.

Had I been present, I would have voted yea on Roll Call No. 158; and yea on Roll Call No. 157.

REYNA E. FRIAS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Reyna E. Frias 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. Reyna 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 Reyna 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 Reyna E. Frias for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

HONORING KIRSTJEN NIELSEN  
AND HER SERVICE TO OUR  
COUNTRY

**HON. RICHARD HUDSON**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. HUDSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen and her years of service to our country as Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security.

It is no secret that we are in uncharted territory when it comes to our security, both at home and abroad. Whether in the realm of cybersecurity, border security, or counterterrorism, Secretary Nielsen has been integral in protecting the lives of hundreds of millions of Americans. And while the crisis at our Southern border and terrorist threats grab the headlines, I would also like to thank Secretary Nielsen just as much for her leadership in responding to hurricanes that have devastated the Carolinas the past few years.

Secretary Nielsen has shown profound leadership and unwavering dedication as the Secretary of Homeland Security. Our country is facing a humanitarian and security crisis at our Southern border Secretary Nielsen has been dogged in taking on the Herculean task of addressing these unprecedented challenges. Yet, she has always conducted her duties with professionalism and poise. Secretary Nielsen's determination to act in the country's best interest will be extremely tough to replace.

In her early career, Secretary Nielsen served as Special Assistant to the President as Senior Director for Prevention, Preparedness and Response under President George W. Bush. After serving in the private sector as the founder and president of Sunesis Consulting LLC, she answered the call to serve again and became Chief of Staff to the then-Secretary of Homeland Security, General John Kelly and then White House Deputy Chief of Staff. While our nation has demanded so much of her, Secretary Nielsen has risen to the occasion each and every time.

Madam Speaker, please join me in thanking Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen for her incredible dedication and service to our country upon her departure as Secretary of Homeland Security.

RECOGNIZING DR. TANIA ISRAEL

**HON. SALUD O. CARBAJAL**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. CARBAJAL. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Dr. Tania Israel for her Congressional Women of the Year Award and for all the incredible work she does to improve the quality of life on the Central Coast.

Dr. Tania Israel is a Professor of Counseling Psychology at UCSB who has provided leadership in the Santa Barbara community and beyond for decades. In 2010, Dr. Israel collaborated with several Santa Barbara nonprofits to lead a community-based participatory research project which surveyed the LGBTQ community about their perceptions and concerns, which led to a mandatory 5-hour workshop on LGBTQ issues for all sworn police officers in the City of Santa Barbara. The workshop almost immediately proved to significantly improve relations between police and the LGBTQ community.

Most recently, Dr. Israel has designed and presented a two-hour interactive workshop, titled Beyond the Bubble, to help participants engage in productive dialogues across political lines by building their skills in active listening, managing emotions, and perspective taking. Hundreds of people in Santa Barbara County have taken advantage of Beyond the Bubble in workshops delivered to the Santa Maria-Lompoc NAACP, the Santa Barbara Progressive Coalition, Congregation B'nai B'rith, and a League of Women Voters community forum, among others. Dr. Israel has not charged any of these organizations or their participants for her time and expertise, instead describing the workshop as her offering to our community.

SAMUEL TRUJILLO

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Samuel Trujillo 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. Samuel 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 Samuel 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 Samuel Trujillo for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

HONORING THE GAY AND LESBIAN  
ACTIVISTS ALLIANCE OF WASH-  
INGTON, DC

**HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON**

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I have the honor of representing the oldest continuously functioning Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning (LGBTQ) organization in the United States. Today, I rise to ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing the 48th anniversary of the Gay and Lesbian Activists Alliance of Washington, D.C. (GLAA).

GLAA is Washington's premier LGBTQ organization. Washingtonians know that GLAA champions the District of Columbia's full and equal rights. It calls for stronger enforcement of D.C.'s comprehensive landmark Human Rights Act of 1977. GLAA helped form and marshal the grassroots coalition that resulted in the enactment of the District of Columbia Religious Freedom and Civil Marriage Equality Amendment Act. D.C. recognized same-sex marriages five years before the Supreme Court's decision in Obergefell v. Hodges.

GLAA advocates on behalf of LGBTQ youth and seniors. It demands the right of equal treatment for transgender individuals by the police and access to culturally competent healthcare. GLAA educates local officeholders and office seekers on LGBTQ issues. It also nurtures and builds coalitions with other constituencies to advance LGBTQ causes and to defend the District's autonomy.

At its 48th anniversary reception on April 18, 2019, GLAA will recognize the 2019 Distinguished Service Awards recipients:

Center Global, a program of the D.C. Center for the LGBT Community. Matt Corso and Eric Scharf co-founded Center Global in 2012. Under their guidance, Center Global supported nearly 300 asylum-seekers through this nation's immigration processes. The asylees come from nations on the African continent, Eastern Europe, Russia, the former Soviet bloc, Southeast Asia and the Caribbean.

Center Global follows a unique model. It provides access to healthcare, legal assistance, financial support, and most importantly, a safe LGBTQ peer community that is often unattainable in D.C.-area diasporas. Its program includes case-management services; monthly support dinner and volunteers meetings; community and Capitol Hill education and outreach initiatives; partnerships with the Human Rights Campaign and D.C.-area social support and asylum organizations; and the annual May fundraising reception. Center Global is a volunteer-staffed program, led by its executive committee (Tom Sommers, Chair, and Eric Scharf, Vice Chair) under the D.C. Center's administrative umbrella.

Compassion & Choices led the lobbying for the D.C. Death with Dignity Act of 2016, which became law in 2017. Compassion & Choices envisions a society that affirms life and accepts the inevitability of death, embraces expanded options for compassionate dying and empowers people to choose end-of-life care that reflects their values, priorities and beliefs. It is a nationwide organization that works to ensure that healthcare providers honor and

enable patients' decisions about their care. Compassion & Choices works in communities, state legislatures, Congress, courts and medical settings to educate the public about the importance of documenting end-of-life values and priorities and about the full range of available end-of-life care. It empowers individuals with options, information and advice for guiding their care and engaging with providers. Compassion & Choices advocates for expanded choices, secure and ready access to them and improved medical practice that puts patients first and values quality of life in treatment plans for terminal illness, and it defends existing end-of-life options from efforts to restrict access.

Diego Miguel Sanchez, APR is Director of Advocacy, Policy & Partnerships for PFLAG National. Mr. Sanchez was Congressman Barney Frank's Senior Policy Advisor from 2009 until the Congressman's retirement 2013. Diego made history as the first openly transgender senior legislative staffer on Capitol Hill. He testified before Congress in the first transgender discrimination hearing. He became the first openly transgender individual appointed to the Democratic National Committee Platform Committee. Diego was Director of Public Relations and External Affairs at the AIDS Action Committee of Massachusetts and AIDS Action Council (DC). Previously, he was Director of the TransHealth/LGBT Health Access Project at JRI Health in Boston. He led the nation's only government-funded transgender healthcare program.

Diego worked 20 award-winning years in global public relations, marketing, and diversity management globally with Fortune 500 companies: The Coca-Cola Company, Holiday Inn Worldwide, ITT Sheraton and Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide. He did media relations for Burson-Marsteller/NY, then the world's largest public relations firm. Hispanic Business Magazine included Diego among the 100 Most Powerful Latino/s in Corporate America. He has been recognized as a LGBT Latino Hero, one of the 100 most powerful Latino/s (Poderometro), in the Out 100, and in the Inaugural Trans 100. He was a founding member of the Gender Identity in U.S. Surveillance (GenIUSS) group, and Q Street named him "Best Congressional Staffer". Diego earned a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism with a major in Public Relations from the University of Georgia (UGA), serves on the Journalism Alumni Advisory Board and is a member of G-Club, the University's varsity letterwinners' club. Diego happens to be the only male Bulldog to earn his letter playing on a women's team, UGA's women's tennis team. Diego is a Senior Fellow at UMass Boston's College of Management.

I ask the House to join me in honoring the recipients of GLAA's 2019 Distinguished Service Award and celebrating GLAA's 48 years of contributions to the LGBTQ community in the District of Columbia.

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28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
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Tuesday, April 9, 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, Joy Collins-Brodt of Burbank, California.

Ms. Collins-Brodt, along with her eight siblings were born and raised in Pomona, California. Joy's mother, a native Floridian, and father, a Nigerian immigrant, taught their children to treat all people with dignity and respect. Living into the life lessons her parents taught her, Joy traveled to countries including Mexico and Bolivia to volunteer at local orphanages.

Upon graduating from high school, Joy attended Azusa Pacific University and received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Broadcast Journalism and Documentary Film with a minor in Communication Studies. She was the first of her siblings to attend and graduate from a university. After her college graduation, Ms. Collins-Brodt moved to Burbank to begin her career in television production and entertainment.

Joy worked on a variety of television shows including "24" at NBC Universal and Fox Television. Outside of her work in television, Joy and a team of active women launched Darling Magazine, a women's lifestyle magazine that featured body-positive photographs of women that were never photo-edited or altered. During this time in her professional career, she learned about human-trafficking issues and began volunteering for the International Justice Mission (IJM), the largest global anti-trafficking organization. Her passion to combat global human-trafficking grew and in 2015 she left her career in television to accept the Chief Operations Officer position at Treasures Ministries, an organization that serves as an outreach and support network for women who are victims of sex-trafficking and in the adult entertainment industry.

Ms. Collins-Brodt continues her volunteer work for the International Justice Mission now as the Advocacy Coordinator of Southern California. Joy has lobbied in Washington, D.C. for anti-trafficking legislation such as the Child Protection Compact Act, which helped create a trafficking task force in the Philippines that saves children from trafficking. She hopes that others use their voice and engage with policy leaders about legislation and to see the end of human-trafficking.

Today, Joy lives in Burbank with her husband, Josh and they both enjoy long drives along the Pacific Coast.

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

REINTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION  
SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND  
IDEALS OF JUBILEE DAY

**HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2019

Mr. HASTINGS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to introduce a resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Jubilee Day, which is celebrated on October 6th of every year by the Fisk University community.

Just after the end of the Civil War, the Fisk School was founded in Nashville, Tennessee as an educational institute that would be open to all, regardless of race or age. However, just five years after its founding, the school faced dire economic struggles.

In an effort to save the University from closing, a group of students formed a choral group, the Fisk Jubilee Singers, with the goal of raising money to fund the institution. They took all of the funds in the university's treasury for travel expenses, hoping that the enormous risk would pay off.

Despite a few initial struggles, the Jubilee Singers eventually came to tour throughout the United States and Europe and raised enough funds to not only preserve the University, but also to pay for the construction of Jubilee Hall, the first permanent structure built for the education of African American students in the South.

The singers performed for such notable figures as William Lloyd Garrison, Wendell Phillips, Ulysses S. Grant, William Gladstone, Mark Twain, Johann Strauss, and Queen Victoria. Through their music they introduced the world to the spirituals of enslaved Africans as a musical genre.

Since its founding in 1866, Fisk University has educated countless intellectuals, artists, and civic leaders, and has played a pivotal role in the advancement of education for African American students. None of its accomplishments would have been possible without the talents and sacrifices of that first group of nine students.

Madam Speaker, as a proud alumnus of Fisk University, I urge my colleagues to honor the hard work, perseverance, and accomplishments of the original Jubilee Singers by cosponsoring this resolution, and I urge its immediate consideration.

RECOGNIZING ANAHI MENDOZA

**HON. SALUD O. CARBAJAL**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2019

Mr. CARBAJAL. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Anahi Mendoza for her Congressional Women of the Year Award and for all the incredible work she does to improve the quality of life on the Central Coast.

After graduating from Harvard University, and working two years on immigration cases in New York City, Anahi Mendoza realized that the city she grew up in, Santa Maria, is largely populated by Hispanic agriculture people and many of these people are immigrants in risk of being deported and been separated from their families. Starting with her passion for civil rights and immigration law coupled with the help of generous donors, Anahi founded the Santa Barbara County Immigrant Legal Defense Center. The center has been helping many immigrant families in our local community. Anahi has been conducting Know Your Rights presentations in Santa Barbara County so that immigrants are informed of their rights should they encounter Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). She has worked extensively to create community clinics to screen individuals for immigration relief, assess their criminal record, and determine whether they have a final order of deportation. Anahi works

alongside pro-bono attorneys in the area to help immigrant individuals in detention centers. Thanks to her efforts, she is definitely making a huge impact within the Hispanic community on the Central Coast.

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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. JOHN H. RUTHERFORD**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. RUTHERFORD. Madam Speaker, due to illness, I was unable to vote April 1 through April 4. Had I been present, I would have voted: "yea" on Roll Call No. 137; "yea" on Roll Call No. 138; "nay" on Roll Call No. 140; "nay" on Roll Call No. 141; "yea" on Roll Call No. 142; "nay" on Roll Call No. 144; "nay" on Roll Call No. 145; "nay" on Roll Call No. 146; "yea" on Roll Call No. 147; "yea" on Roll Call No. 148; "nay" on Roll Call No. 149; "yea" on Roll Call No. 150; "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 "nay" on Roll Call No. 156.

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IN MEMORIAM OF THE  
HONORABLE CHARLES ROSE

**HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Ms. JOHNSON of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and pay tribute to the life and legacy of Charles Ronald Rose, Sr.

Mr. Rose served the Dallas community for an extraordinary 39 years, holding many different roles along the way. He served as a Trustee on the Wilmer Hutchins Independent School Board, as the Dallas County Justice of Peace for Precinct 8, Place 1, and held memberships in numerous local, state and national organizations. As Justice of Peace, Mr. Rose was well-respected amongst his colleagues for his fairness on the bench.

Mr. Rose collected multiple accolades recognizing his service to the community, including the 2013 Legislative Black Caucus Texan of the Year, the Alpha Sigma Lambda Chapter Trailblazer Award, and the 2018 Jubilee Productions Award of Service. However, it was not the awards that he worked for; rather, Mr. Rose found satisfaction in positive, tangible change in his community.

Mr. Rose was preceded in death by his parents, Homer Rose, Sr. and Dorothy Evelyn Hollingsworth Rose; two children, Ronnie and Nikki; five brothers, Homer, Jr., Horace, Roger, Odell and Fred; and one sister, Marie Conner. His memory is survived by his wife, Gazelle; three daughters, Texas State Representative Toni Rose, Lachon Jacobs (née Jeffrey), and Nina Hawkins (née Everett); and many wonderful grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and friends.

Madam Speaker, I would like to extend my condolences to Charles Rose's family, friends and loved ones. The Dallas community will miss him dearly.

SAMANTHA GAMINO

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Samantha Gamino 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. Samantha 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 Samantha 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 Samantha Gamino for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

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HONORING CLYDE KENNETH  
"WINDY" ENGLAND

**HON. H. MORGAN GRIFFITH**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. GRIFFITH. Madam Speaker, I offer these remarks in honor of Clyde Kenneth "Windy" England, Martinsville, Virginia's last hero of D-Day. Mr. England died on February 28 at the age of 103.

He was born in Brevard, North Carolina, on May 4, 1915. After moving with his family to Martinsville in 1933, he worked at the Martinsville Cotton Mill and the Martinsville Novelty Company. In Virginia, he met Mildred Draper, whom he married on December 30, 1939 in the parlor of the old First Baptist Church.

Amid the gathering storm that would become World War II, he joined the Virginia National Guard in 1936. His unit was activated in 1941 and later sent to Britain. On the morning of June 6, 1944, he stormed Omaha Beach in Normandy as a technical sergeant leading Company H of the 116th Infantry Regiment, 29th Infantry Division.

Bad weather had delayed the invasion by a day, and the time spent on the English Channel had made many of the men seasick. As the landing craft carrying the soldiers approached the beach, Mr. England remembered that the men stayed composed as they came under German fire without panic. They had a job to do.

When they landed on the beach, Mr. England's unit was several hundred yards away from where it was supposed to be, and it became mixed up with several other units. He had to move his men across the beach while

under fire to a sea wall. With smoke providing cover, the men moved up to the wall and were able to breach the barbed wire. Continuing to press onward, they arrived at their objective of Les Moulin the next morning, having established a beachhead. It came at a steep price to his unit: ten of forty men were killed and seventeen wounded, including Mr. England.

He fought across France as the Allies advanced, and a wound received by a sniper put him in the hospital for six months. He returned to Martinsville after the war and continued serving in the Virginia National Guard until 1973. Retired Army Lieutenant Colonel W.C. Fowlkes remembered him as "a soldier's soldier; everything he did was for the betterment of his soldiers."

Among his many decorations, Mr. England earned a Bronze Star, a Purple Heart with Cluster, an American Defense Medal, the European Theater of Operations Medal, a WWII Victory Medal, an Army Reserve Medal with two clusters, and a Virginia Service Medal with 5 clusters, as well as a Presidential Unit Citation Medal for his unit's role in D-Day. On the 15th anniversary of D-Day, Mr. England was one of four people representing Virginia at the dedication of a memorial at Omaha Beach.

Mr. England enjoyed hunting, fishing, and traveling in his retirement, and worshipped at the First Baptist Church of Martinsville. He and his wife Mildred remained happily married for 79 years before her death on November 12, 2018. Mr. England is survived by his daughter Deborah Slaydon and his grandsons Matthew and Jared Slaydon.

In his Order of the Day for June 6, 1944, General Dwight D. Eisenhower told the men of the Allied Expeditionary Force, "The eyes of the world are upon you. The hopes and prayers of liberty-loving people everywhere march with you." This heavy burden fell upon men such as Clyde "Windy" England. All of us who live in freedom today can be grateful that he and his fellow heroes of D-Day bore it with courage and honor until they achieved victory.

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RECOGNIZING SANDI SIGURDSON

**HON. SALUD O. CARBAJAL**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. CARBAJAL. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Sandi Sigurdson for her Congressional Women of the Year Award and for all the incredible work she does to improve the quality of life on the Central Coast.

Sandi Sigurdson's fierce commitment to community, to professional excellence and to the kind of hard work that creates meaningful change has served the Central Coast, especially its women, well. Her early concerns about the environment moved her from the hospitality industry into a senior position with the then-fledgling ECO SLO. She grew the organization in visibility and prominence, creating mainstream awareness of environmental issues. Sandi's adroit management abilities and love of music led her next to the SLO Symphony, where for fifteen years she managed an award winning organization that made its way to Carnegie Hall and concert performances in Europe, spawned a youth symphony and brought music to the masses, especially to young children. She mentored

her young female employees, many of whom today hold executive positions throughout the country. And for the last eight years as executive director of Leadership SLO, Sandi has taken her talents to an even larger stage. Sandi is first to raise her hand when help is needed, proud to speak up on topics needing a voice and is a woman who always, truly always, keeps the greater good firmly in her sight.

TRIBUTE TO JOELLE DOBROW—  
28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
WOMAN OF THE YEAR

**HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 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, Joelle Dobrow of the Echo Park neighborhood of Los Angeles, California.

After graduating from the University of California, Los Angeles in 1970 with a bachelor's degree in film and television, Ms. Dobrow became a pioneering activist in Hollywood. At a time when women simply didn't have opportunities to produce and direct films, Joelle and five other female directors set out to make a change. The "Original Six," as they've come to be known, decided to get organized in the fight against sexism and together, they formed the first Women's Steering Committee of the Directors Guild of America. Decades before the Me Too movement forced a Hollywood reckoning, Dobrow and the Original Six spearheaded the first entertainment industry lawsuits against feature films studios for discrimination against women and ethnic minorities.

Ms. Dobrow and the Original Six received the recognition for their important activism efforts with the recent book *Liberating Hollywood* and upcoming documentary *This Changes Everything*, which features Joelle along with Meryl Streep and Geena Davis as feminist crusaders in Hollywood.

Joelle's groundbreaking leadership is apparent in her television career as the first woman Producer/Director for the bay area television station KTEH, and later, the first woman Associate Director/Stage Manager at KABC-TV in Los Angeles. She continued to have an accomplished career as a television producer and director, including working for *Noticiero Estudiantil*—for which she won an Emmy—and *Good Morning America* among many others. She also helped produce live events such as *TV Goes to the Hollywood Bowl* and *Hollywood Remembers the Blacklist*.

Fifteen years ago, Ms. Dobrow founded the Edendale Library Friends Society (ELFS) in her neighborhood of Echo Park and has since led the organization as President. Joelle and the ELFS serve as a vital bridge between the Los Angeles Public Library, elected officials, Echo Park Neighborhood Council, other nearby non-profit organizations, and the local community. In addition to her volunteer service with ELFS, Joelle also served on the success-

ful Yes on Measure L campaign, a measure which permanently increased library funding for the City of Los Angeles.

In 2013, Ms. Dobrow received an Executive Master of Arts in Arts Management from Claremont Graduate University. She was recently the recipient of the Drucker Women in Leadership Fellowship, the Ahmanson Fellowship, and an Altrusa Richardson grant.

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

IN RECOGNITION OF EAST-  
HAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL'S 'WE  
THE PEOPLE' TEAM

**HON. RICHARD E. NEAL**

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. NEAL. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the students and advisors of Easthampton High School's 'We The People' team for their hard work, dedication, and outstanding achievement. These individuals prevailed over a number of highly skilled competitors to earn first-place honors in the Massachusetts 'We The People' academic contest for the second year in a row. They have accordingly earned the distinction of representing the Commonwealth in the 32nd 'We The People' national finals this month in Washington, D.C.

The annual 'We The People' tournament is a wonderful opportunity that brings bright young people together to learn about and debate issues of great importance in today's world. The students of Easthampton High School's team not only displayed exceptional commitment, ability, and character in preparing for and winning the statewide competition this winter, but they have also worked even harder this spring as they have looked forward to competing in the national competition. They have been preparing to testify at mock congressional hearings, demonstrate their knowledge of the U.S. Constitution, issue statements on a variety of topics related to our country's political and historical heritage, and field complex questions from a panel of expert judges. There is no doubt in my mind that they will find this whole experience uniquely valuable for years to come.

This year's Easthampton High School 'We The People' team have been led by their teachers Kelley Brown and Taylor Dadmun who have provided crucial guidance and instrumental mentorship. The outstanding work performed by this group is a testament to the value of quality teachers in the Massachusetts public school system. The victorious students are Kerissa Bilski, Joseph Brough, Kunden Chumego, Samuel Colenback, Benjamin Dameworth, Sophia Fiordalice, Corinne Gawle, Joseph Hwang, Madeline Kleeberg, Cassidy Marowitz, Abigail McMahon, Jaquelline Perez, Madison Rinker, Madison Rodriguez, Trevor Waldron, Hanna Wauczinski, Christopher Williams, and Mohamed Zabir. The team's student coaches include Lucas Patton, Vinnie Catalano, and Fernando Tenesaca.

Madam Speaker, I would like to once again acknowledge Easthampton High School's 'We

The People' academic team for their superb achievements. Strong civic education is the foundation of our democracy and these inspiring students have exemplified the finest qualities of informed citizenship. I am proud of this group, and I wish them all the best in their upcoming national competition as well as all their other future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING THE NATIONAL FED-  
ERATION OF PUBLIC AND PRI-  
VATE EMPLOYEES AND ITS 25TH  
ANNIVERSARY

**HON. THEODORE E. DEUTCH**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. DEUTCH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the National Federation of Public and Private Employees (FOPE) as it celebrates 25 years of fighting for American workers.

The National Federation of Public and Private Employees represents over 15,000 public sector employees in Florida who work for our colleges and universities, our counties and municipalities, and our school board and law enforcement agencies. Additionally, FOPE represents numerous private sector employees across the United States in the fields of aerospace, automotive, forestry, and parking and transportation.

The right to collective bargaining is vital for strong labor and safety standards. Since passage of the National Labor Relations Act in 1935, employees have had the right to organize and determine whether they wish to have unions to represent them. As a result of this organizing, union members earn 28% more in yearly wages, are more likely to have employer provided health insurance, and enjoy more secure pension benefits than their counterparts.

Madam Speaker, the benefits of FOPE's efforts reach far beyond its membership, improving the working conditions and compensation of workers across the board. For this, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating and thanking FOPE and its current President, Dan Reynolds, on their 25 years of service to workers in my district and across the country.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. JARED HUFFMAN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. HUFFMAN. Madam Speaker, I regretfully missed the following votes. I had intended to vote "yea" on roll call vote 157, "yea" on roll call vote 158, and "aye" on roll call vote 159.

IN RECOGNITION OF BAYLISS  
BOATWORKS

**HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Bayliss Boatworks of

Wanchese, North Carolina, a team who every day applies their experience and unique craftsmen touch in creating the perfect vessels for their clientele. They are world renowned for exceptional attention to detail and building boats the right way. Team Bayliss Boatworks is over 100 strong and are all experts in their trades. Every step of designing and building boats is done in house with total attention to honoring their customers. They build the most effective, efficient, and well-built sportfishing boat in existence.

Bayliss Boatworks was established in 2002. The team was able to immediately draw up a number of contracts to begin their brand-new shop to create their exquisite boats used for fishing, travel and entertainment. Each boat is custom made to fit the needs and preferences of each client. These boats begin as a jig until it surpasses benchmarks like the "Whiskey Plank," hull rollover, and engine install. From there, the boats will have their cabins installed, flybridge and mezzanine build-out, interior cabinetry construction, paint, sea trial, and lastly, delivery to the client. The hard work of the employees can be seen on the water around the world. Since its establishment in 2002, Bayliss Boatworks have received mentions in magazines such as Marlin, being classified among the top builders in the world. It is a prestigious honor to be considered among the world's best boat craftsmen. The Team at Bayliss Boatworks is a family with each member respecting and valuing their colleagues that are always striving to be better and set the standard for the boat building industry. They are focused on building the best sportfishing boats in the world and with assuring that all of the needs of their customers are met.

Madam Speaker, I ask you to join me in recognizing the accomplishments of Bayliss Boatworks as they celebrate 17 years in operation. May God bless the hardworking employees of Bayliss Boatworks, and I look forward to seeing their excellence for many years into the future.

ORIANNA LANGILL

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Orianna Langill 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. Orianna 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 Orianna 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 Orianna Langill for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. CLAY HIGGINS**

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana. Madam Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 157; NAY on Roll Call No. 158; and YEA on Roll Call No. 159.

RECOGNIZING BILL MCGAHAN,  
FOUNDER OF GEORGIA WORKS!

**HON. DOUG COLLINS**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Bill McGahan, founder of Georgia Works!, for the life changing impact he has made on countless men in the greater Atlanta area.

Bill McGahan founded Georgia Works! in 2013 based off his fundamental belief that every life has value, and virtually every person can be given the tools and habits to make their lives better. With the ultimate goal of achieving self-sufficiency, Georgia Works! strives to end homelessness, criminal recidivism and dependency among chronically homeless men in Atlanta through programs that ensure personal development in good habits, work ethic and character.

By helping participants gain stable employment and housing, Georgia Works! offers homeless men a second chance at life. Through personal support, case management, and workforce training, as well as AA/NA classes, GED classes, support in obtaining a driver's license, help setting up a bank account, and life skill preparation courses, the program works to set them up for long term success.

Thanks to Bill McGahan's leadership, Georgia Works! has graduated more than 600 men. Even more impressive is the fact that the program has accomplished this major milestone without accepting a single dime of government funding.

While Georgia Works! is among his most prominent accomplishments, Bill McGahan's love for and dedication to his community stretches far and wide. Bill has been involved in many organizations and non-profit boards including: The State of Georgia Housing Trust Fund for the Homeless Commission; Atlanta Area Co-Chair of the Steering Committee for the Governor's Office of Transition, Support and Reentry; From Houses to Homes; Atlanta Academy; The Howard School, The Paces Civic Association; and The National Foundation for Facial Reconstruction.

As we celebrate Second Chance Month, I'm incredibly proud to recognize Bill McGahan for his dedication to providing men with an opportunity for a second chance. On behalf of the people of Georgia, I commend him for his service and I thank him for his steadfast commitment to bettering our communities.

TRIBUTE TO SOFIYA FIKHMAN—  
28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
WOMAN OF THE YEAR

**HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 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, Sofiya Fikhman of West Hollywood, California.

Born in the Ukraine in 1939, Sofiya was two years old when the war between the Soviet Union and Germany began. During World War II, she and her family, along with thirteen strangers, lived in the Bershad ghetto in a one-room tenement. After the Soviet army freed the ghetto in 1944, Sofiya and her family returned to Savran in 1945, where they lived until 1952, thereafter moving to Moldova to join her father's family, where she pursued her education at a medical college to become a nurse.

Sofiya married her husband, Shmil, in 1958, and they had two children. Upon completing her degree that same year, she began work in a children's hospital as a supervisor until 1967; then worked in early childhood education, retiring in 1988 to help raise her grandchildren. Ms. Fikhman was over fifty years old when she and her family moved to the United States in 1991, with the dream of creating a new life in a new country. She worked as a caregiver for the elderly, babysitter, and volunteered in her free time.

A tireless and dedicated volunteer, Ms. Fikhman has always enjoyed being of service to people in the community. She joined the Association of Holocaust Survivors from the Former Soviet Union in 1996, and two years later, started volunteering for the organization and undertook various tasks including answering telephone calls, curating events, assisting new immigrants, and visiting survivors in care facilities and hospitals. She expanded her volunteer work by visiting several Jewish day schools, where she educated young people about her experience during the Holocaust. Ms. Fikhman became a member of the City of West Hollywood Russian Advisory Board in 2006, where she continued to plan cultural events and assist immigrant families. Presently, Sofiya is a staunch volunteer at the City of West Hollywood's Russian Language Public Library.

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



INTRODUCTION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FLOOD PREVENTION ACT OF 2019

**HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON**

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise to introduce the District of Columbia Flood Prevention Act of 2019. The bill would amend the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (CZMA) to include the nation's capital in the definition of "coastal state." Our bill would correct an apparent oversight in the omission of the District of Columbia and would make the District eligible to receive federal funding and provide oversight for federally issued permits, facilities and actions that affect the coastal waters of the District. The District urgently needs the protection of the CZMA because of serious flood risks that currently affect federal assets, residents and businesses, including the National Mall and the cluster of downtown federal agencies.

In an effort to reduce coastal flood risk, Congress has authorized a number of programs to help states and territories respond to floods and mitigate risk through resiliency projects. Among these programs, the CZMA provides planning and technical services to assist states in protecting, restoring and developing coastal communities and resources. Once the federal government approves a state's coastal management plan, the state becomes eligible for grants. Federal actions must be consistent with the state plans and vice versa.

Even though the District is located on two rivers and has suffered substantial coastal floods in the past, D.C. was omitted from the list of eligible states and territories in the CZMA. This oversight probably occurred because the CZMA was passed in 1972—before the District achieved home rule. Of note, under Section 304 of the CZMA, "coastal state[s]" include the states and U.S. territories (Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands and American Samoa). Absent from this definition is the District, even though the District, including the federal complex, is under a serious threat from rising sea levels. Because territories are included in the definition of "coastal states," it appears that D.C.'s omission is a mistake, which only Congress can correct.

Scientists have predicted that the tides on the Atlantic Coast could rise two to four feet by the year 2100, causing property worth as much as \$7 billion in the District to be routinely under threat by floodwaters. This damage not only includes private homes and businesses, but the National Mall, federal buildings and three military bases located in the District. The Anacostia and Potomac Rivers are both tidally influenced, showing tangible salt water effects (and fish), and are part of an "intertidal-zone" existing between high and low maritime tides. In addition, the Maryland and Virginia coastal zones each include the tidal Potomac River, with Maryland's zone ending at the District line. Because of these factors, the District should be eligible under the CZMA just like the states and territories already listed in the CZMA.

I urge support for this bill.

RECOGNIZING YESSENIA MARROQUIN

**HON. SALUD O. CARBAJAL**

OF CALIFORNIA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. CARBAJAL. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Yessenia Marroquin for her Congressional Women of the Year Award and for all the incredible work she does to improve the quality of life on the Central Coast.

Yessenia has been serving our community for over 20 years through her work at Santa Barbara Neighborhood Clinics—and she is not even 40 years old! She came to this country from El Salvador as a child and has excelled ever since due to her intelligence, perseverance and good nature. She began at SBNC in college as a volunteer. Over the years, she has worked as a medical assistant, clinic manager and now serves as the Director of Operations. She is an unsung hero of SBNC according to her colleagues. She has remained dedicated and calm through multiple challenges and the clinic almost shutting its doors. Through it all, Yessenia and her warm smile were a beacon for its employees and patients. She has led numerous initiatives at SBNC that have resulted in better patient care, coordination with other community partners and ensuring SBNC is meeting the needs of the Hispanic Community. I am glad to recognize her work to make Santa Barbara healthier, especially for the most vulnerable.

RECOGNIZING PAT FARRELL FOR HIS REMARKABLE SERVICE TO THE VETERANS OF ARIZONA

**HON. PAUL A. GOSAR**

OF ARIZONA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. GOSAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable constituent of mine named Pat Farrell. Pat enlisted in the Navy in 1968, serving as Aviation Electronics Technician until 1971. Following the Navy, Pat worked for the U.S. Postal Service and as a Corrections Job Coordinator. Pat has dedicated a large portion of his life to working with homeless veterans. In 2013, 2014, and 2015 Pat took the lead overseeing the Tri-State Homeless Veterans StandDown in Bullhead City, Arizona where he assisted 750 homeless and at-risk veterans.

Pat has been essential to the Homeless Veterans StandDown year after year. After a successful 2013 StandDown, he secured \$10,300 in funding to organize the following year's event. Pat continues to give back to the veteran community by volunteering with the HUD & VA Supportive Veterans Housing Project and numerous other programs aimed at eradicating veteran's homelessness. Due to Pat's efforts, the VA Community Outpatient Clinic in Kingman, Arizona was also able to be built.

Pat truly represents what it means to be selfless. The veterans of Mohave County and the state of Arizona are forever grateful for

Pat's hard work. I commend him for his dedication to those who have served this country.

ONJOLI LEE-SALAZAR

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Onjoli Lee-Salazar 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. Onjoli 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 Onjoli 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 Onjoli Lee-Salazar for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. HAROLD ROGERS**

OF KENTUCKY  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, on Monday, April 8, 2019, my flight was delayed and I was unable to make votes. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 157; YEA on Roll Call No. 158; and NAY on Roll Call No. 159.

IN HONOR OF CONGRESSWOMAN EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

**HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.**

OF GEORGIA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a distinguished public servant and a dedicated stateswoman, Congresswoman EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON who was honored in a dedication ceremony in Dallas, Texas on April 6, 2019 to rename Dallas Union Station in her honor. The former Dallas Union Station now bears the name Eddie Bernice Johnson Union Station.

Since its establishment in 1916, the Dallas Union Station has stood as a prominent landmark for the City of Dallas, serving as a historic social anchor and an intermodal transportation hub—consolidating the five main rail stations into one and making Dallas a major

transit center for the Southwestern United States. Just as the Dallas Union Station has significantly enhanced the quality of life for the Dallas area, so has Congresswoman EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON, and I cannot think of a more deserving person to receive this monumental tribute.

Congresswoman EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON is serving her 14th term representing the 30th Congressional District of Texas. She is the first African-American and woman to chair the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology (where she served as Ranking Member from 2011 to 2018) and is the Dean of the Texas Congressional delegation in addition to serving as Dean of the Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona Democratic Congressional Delegations. Congresswoman JOHNSON is also the highest-ranking Texan on the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, the first nurse to be elected to the U.S. Congress, and a member of the Subcommittee on Aviation and the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.

Congresswoman JOHNSON was born on December 3, 1935, to the union of the late Lee Edward Johnson and Lillie Mae White Johnson in Waco, Texas. A true intellectual, she graduated from A.J. Moore High School at the age of sixteen. Soon after graduating, she began her studies in Nursing at Saint Mary's College of Notre Dame, where she excelled and became a registered nurse after passing the National Board Examination in 1955. She continued to advance her education by earning her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from Texas Christian University in 1967 and her Master of Public Administration degree from Southern Methodist University in 1976.

Congresswoman JOHNSON began her career as the first female African-American Chief Psychiatric Nurse at the V.A. Hospital in Dallas. In 1972, she became the first nurse ever elected to the Texas State House and achieved that same distinction upon her election to the Texas Senate in 1986.

Congresswoman JOHNSON is more than a legislator. She is a servant to all humankind. In addition to her civic duties, she continues to give of herself to countless causes and organizations, such as her acclaimed initiative, A World of Women for World Peace, which has garnered national and international recognition. Dr. Maya Angelou once said that "I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands; you need to be able to throw something back." During the more than 40 years that she has served as a public servant, Congresswoman JOHNSON has thrown a prodigious amount of love and service back to the state and nation she loves so dearly.

Congresswoman JOHNSON has achieved so much in her life, but none of it would have been possible without the love and support of her loving son, Kirk; and her grandsons, Kirk Jr., David, and James.

On a personal note, Congresswoman JOHNSON is my classmate, both of us having been elected in 1992. Immediately upon meeting her I was awed by her grace, dignity, class, elegance, and eloquence. Her manner of quiet persuasion and passion have propelled her to numerous leadership positions, including her election as Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus. She is a friend of longstanding and her deep humility and compassion reflect the timbre of her character.

Congresswoman JOHNSON is truly a stellar example of servant leadership. I am proud to have served alongside her in Congress where her friendship, leadership, and counsel are held in high regard by many.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join my wife, Vivian; and me, along with the people of the 30th Congressional District of Texas and countless others all across America, in extending our sincerest congratulations to Congresswoman EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON on this tremendous honor and lasting memorial to her legacy of service to her community, state, nation, and humankind.

TRIBUTE TO ANITA QUIÑONEZ  
GABRIELIAN—28TH CONGRES-  
SIONAL DISTRICT WOMAN OF  
THE YEAR

**HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 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, Anita Quiñonez Gabrielian of Glendale, California.

Anita holds a bachelor's degree in business administration with a focus on finance and accounting from the University of Southern California Marshall School of Business and earned a master's in business administration (MBA) from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.

Ms. Gabrielian had an exceptional career for thirty-three years at AT&T, where she held the position of Regional Vice President of External Affairs for the Los Angeles Market Area when she retired from the company in 2014. Currently, Ms. Gabrielian is the President/CEO of Gabrielian & Associates Insurance Services, Inc. and the co-founder and partner of CG Benefits Group.

Anita has been a dynamic force in the community, and her selfless service, expertise and incredible work ethic have benefitted many organizations over the years. She has served on the City of Los Angeles Workforce Investment Board, and on the board of the San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership. A staunch advocate for accessible quality education, Anita wholeheartedly enjoyed serving as a Member of the Glendale Community College Board of Trustees for fifteen years, including Board of Trustees President for three terms.

Ms. Gabrielian continues her invaluable service to the community and serves in various capacities including on the Advisory Boards of the Glendale Latino Association, the Pat Brown Institute for Public Affairs at California State University, Los Angeles, and on the Corporate Advisory Council of the USC Latino Alumni Association. She also serves as a board member of BREATHE California of Los Angeles County, Glendale College Foundation, and as the Mexican American Opportunity Foundation's chairperson of the board of directors.

Anita is married to her husband, Leo, and they have three daughters, Lauren, Jessica,

and Ana Bella. They all love soccer and enjoy traveling.

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

IN RECOGNITION OF THE DESIGNA-  
TION OF CHILDREN'S COURT  
WAY

**HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the 100 Committee to Commemorate the Children's Court, on the occasion of the designation of Children's Court Way, located on the northwest corner of East 22nd Street and Third Avenue in Manhattan. Children's Court Way will recognize the unique role of the Children's Court in the development of the juvenile court system and the principle of treating children differently from adults.

The 100 Committee to Commemorate the Children's Court was established in August 2015 by community activists in Gramercy Park and Kips Bay area, including Dr. Samuel D. Albert, Edith Charlton, Louise Dankberg, Molly Hollister, Judge Judy Kim, Alan Kravis, Greg Lambert, Judge Andrea Masley, Greg Martello, Lois Rakoff, Marti Speranza, Mark P. Thompson, Tiffany Townsend, Kathleen C. Waterman, Claude L. Winfield and the Committee's Chairperson, Michelle Winfield. Their goal has been to gain recognition of the site where America's first juvenile court operated for more than six decades.

Before the early 1900s, children under the age of 16 who were accused of crimes were tried and sentenced as adults. Progressive reformers believed young people awaiting trial in the same jails as adult criminal suspects were more likely to become repeat offenders than to be rehabilitated. In 1902, an act of the New York State legislature established the Children's Part within the NY Court of Special Sessions, making New York County the first in the United States to have a juvenile court housed in its own building. The court, initially located at 66 Third Avenue, near East 11th Street, opened that summer.

The reform law also reclassified all crimes committed by minors under the age of 16, other than capital offenses, as misdemeanors so as to shield children from harsh sentencing laws. Emphasizing reform instead of detention helped countless children avoid being labeled as criminals. The guiding principle was, as a 1902 NY Times article put it, "to guard children against the exposure and environment of crime."

By 1912, the original building was viewed as unsanitary, and noise from the nearby elevated train line made it hard to carry out court proceedings. The decision was made to invest \$250,000 in a new Children's Court building. On July 1, 1915, the Children's Court was officially established as a separate entity from the Court of Special Sessions and relocated to 137 East 22nd Street, near Third Avenue. The new site was chosen due to its proximity to other social welfare institutions, including the YMCA, United Charities, the Catholic Mission

House, the Manhattan Trade School for Girls, and the Free Academy—a predecessor of City College and the current site of Baruch College. A testament to New York’s commitment to reforming young people’s relationship with the justice system, the building housed a large main courtroom, physical and mental health services, and its own probation department. The Children’s Court occupied this space until 1981, at which point the Family Court, as it is now called, relocated to 60 Lafayette Street.

Today, the Children’s Court building is home to Baruch College’s Steven L. Newman Real Estate Institute. More than a century later, though, the original inscription on the building’s cornerstone still reads: “For every child let truth spring from earth and justice and mercy look down from heaven.” Like the inscription, the designation of this corner as Children’s Court Way will serve as a reminder of the advances we have made in child welfare and the far-sighted reformers who dedicated their lives to the protection and advancement of America’s children.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the dedication of the 100 Committee to Commemorate the Children’s Court and celebrating the designation of Children’s Court Way.

RECOGNIZING DR. LEOLA DUBLIN  
MACMILLAN

HON. SALUD O. CARBAJAL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. CARBAJAL. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Dr. Leola Dublin Macmillan for her Congressional Women of the Year Award and for all the incredible work she does to improve the quality of life on the Central Coast.

Dr. Leola Dublin Macmillan serves on the board of Just Communities Central Coast, is on the steering committee of RACE Matters SLO County, and is a member of the SLO Police Department’s Police And Community Together (PACT) community group. She has taught as a Lecturer at Cal Poly for the Ethnic Studies and Women’s and Gender Studies departments. Leola is deeply invested in making our community a more just and equitable place. She has organized and led many workshops on the Central Coast, sharing her extensive knowledge about how difference (in race/class/gender/sexual orientation/(dis)ability) is understood within U.S. contexts. Above all, she is a passionate advocate for her students. She has been supporting and guiding students in pursuing their own advocacy projects, including helping with organizing the UnstoPPable Conference at Cal Poly and bringing to the attention of SLO City Council the need for improved lighting in neighborhoods surrounding Cal Poly campus. She selflessly and patiently educates our communities on difficult to discuss topics such as structural racism.

NOAH FALANCE MARTINEZ

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Noah Falance 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. Noah 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 Noah 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 Noah Falance Martinez for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

NATIONAL WEEK OF  
CONVERSATION

HON. JOYCE BEATTY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mrs. BEATTY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to mark National Week of Conversation.

Right now, we as Americans are no longer expressing our disagreements in a respectable way.

Need proof? Turn on the TV or check your Facebook and Twitter feed.

It’s gotten so bad that 75 percent of Americans—across the political spectrum—say the way we interact with each other has reached a “crisis level.”

Madam Speaker, we need to learn how to disagree without being disagreeable—and that begins here in Congress.

That is why Congressman STEVE STIVERS and I launched the Congressional Civility and Respect Caucus last year.

We are on a mission to “Revive Civility” and visiting schools, civic organizations, and businesses in Central Ohio and D.C. to spread the message.

I invite all my Democratic and Republican colleagues to join us in this effort.

Become a member of Congressional Civility and Respect Caucus and take time this National Week of Conversation to “Listen First.”

Our families, friends, constituents, and fellow Americans are counting on us.

TRIBUTE TO CYNTHIA HUBACH—  
28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 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, Cynthia Hubach of the Silver Lake neighborhood of Los Angeles, California.

Cynthia Hubach grew up exploring nature and observing wildlife right in her own backyard, in the open spaces of the 1960s San Fernando Valley. From her father Richard, a rocket scientist and entrepreneur, Ms. Hubach learned to love and respect nature, developing a lifelong commitment to protecting and preserving open spaces. From her mother Gail, who was chief of pharmacy at Canoga Park Hospital for well over twenty years, Cynthia learned the crucial values of hard work, self-reliance, and caring for others.

After graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in English from the University of California, Berkeley, her parents’ alma mater, Cynthia took an unusual step into a career in local news. At KCBS-TV News in Los Angeles, Cynthia produced the 6 p.m. newscast through historic periods of civic turmoil and natural disasters. She went on to produce scores of hours of television, from MTV’s Behind the Music to several reality shows; most notably The Apprentice.

In 2010, with her father in the final months of a long battle with cancer, she decided she needed to make more of a difference in the world. That year, she enrolled in a master’s program at Antioch University in Urban Sustainability. The coursework emphasized the connections among people, the economy and the planet, and how certain “leverage points” can have an outsized impact on all three. Community gardens are just that sort of leverage points, so in 2011, Cynthia started work to convert a quarter acre vacant lot she owned in Elysian Valley into a thriving community garden.

Cynthia has become increasingly involved in urban agriculture. She is an active member of the Master Gardener program and she has also served as co-chair of the Los Angeles Food Policy Council’s Urban Agriculture Working Group. She is a longtime board member and current Secretary of the Los Angeles Community Garden Council; an organization that supports about 40 community gardens with administrative and programming assistance.

Her love for nature and wildlife extends to her neighborhood in Silver Lake where she is the current Vice President of the Silver Lake Reservoirs Conservancy, which seeks to beautify the reservoir complex with native plantings, and responsibly expand areas of public access.

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

RECOGNIZING JILL ANDERSON

**HON. SALUD O. CARBAJAL**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. CARBAJAL. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Jill Anderson for her Congressional Women of the Year Award and for all the incredible work she does to improve the quality of life on the Central Coast.

Ten years ago, Jill Anderson and her husband founded Shadow's Fund, an organization to help find homes for senior and difficult-to-adopt dogs. Starting the organization with only a few dogs, they have now grown to caring for 42 dogs on-site and even more in foster homes. Along the way they established a sanctuary for those dogs, as well as pigs and wild horses. Jill has developed programs in the Lompoc community working with local residents on dog ownership, as well as bringing the community to their sanctuary. She also created a program to rescue Pitbull puppies from backyard breeders, socialize and train them, and make them breed ambassadors. Jill works 60 to 70 hours a week as a volunteer for Shadow's Fund, it's an honor to recognize Jill's efforts to make the Central Coast a more humane place for animals and a happier place for its residents.

HONORING THE DOTHAN AREA  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**HON. MARTHA ROBY**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mrs. ROBY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce on their 100th anniversary. The Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce is an exceptional organization that has made enormous contributions to fostering economic development in the City of Dothan and the surrounding Houston County area.

Founded in 1919, the organization started as a small office that helped to establish the prices of produce and cotton. The organization has grown over the years and today is comprised of over 950 businesses, professionals, and individuals with the goal of serving as a catalyst for business and community growth in the Dothan area.

The Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce has been successful in their mission and has created an environment that is attractive to many diverse businesses and industries. The Wiregrass region's economic growth and stability over 100 years is very impressive and reflects the successes of the Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce.

Madam Speaker, it is my privilege to acknowledge the Dothan Area Chamber of Com-

merce for their positive impact on the commercial, financial, civic, agricultural, industrial and general interests of the Dothan and Houston County area. We are fortunate to have this organization in Alabama's Second District, and I am looking forward to many more years of continued growth and success.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I was unable to be present during roll call vote number 157, 158, and 159, on April 8, 2019. Had I been present, I would have voted: on roll call vote number 157, yes; on roll call vote number 158, yes; and on roll call vote number 159, yes.

SARAI MONTELLANO

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 2019*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Sarai Montellano 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. Sarai 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 Sarai 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 Sarai Montellano for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

TRIBUTE TO CARRIE ANN  
SUTKIN—28TH CONGRESSIONAL  
DISTRICT WOMAN OF THE YEAR**HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 9, 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, Carrie Ann Sutkin of the Elysian Valley neighborhood of Los Angeles, California.

Born in Detroit, Michigan, Carrie Ann lived there until the age of fifteen, when her stepfather was offered a job as a health agency administrator in the counties of Alameda and Contra Costa and her family moved to Northern California. After volunteering as a health worker in the Dominican Republic, Ms. Sutkin learned the Spanish language at the University of California, Santa Cruz (UCSC) and also in Mexico City where she lived and studied Latin American politics.

Carrie Ann completed her Bachelor of the Arts degree at UCSC in 1984 and moved to Los Angeles in 1986 for her first professional job in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese at the University of Southern California. In 1990, she received a Master's Degree in Urban Planning while interning for the City of Los Angeles Chief Legislative Analyst. In 1989, Ms. Sutkin joined Gloria Molina's campaign for Los Angeles County Supervisor and after the successful election, joined Supervisor Molina's staff. Carrie Ann began her Doctorate in 1995 in Planning and Policy Development with her Dissertation on how her Chicana colleagues in the county re-planned and redeveloped the East Los Angeles Civic Center and wrote another Dissertation in Planning and Development on Chicana feminist planning in 2015. From 2012 to 2018, Ms. Sutkin represented Los Angeles County on three Redevelopment Agency Oversight Committees: Pomona, El Monte and West Covina. She currently has a thriving consultant practice for non-profit organizations.

An Elysian Valley resident since 2010, Carrie Ann became involved in the Elysian Valley Neighborhood Council in 2015 and was appointed two years later. She serves as a member of the steering committee of the Alliance for River Communities and helps the Atwater Village Neighborhood Council on their Community Plan Survey and the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council on Historic Preservation and has been a supporter and community activist for the Los Angeles River for over two decades.

Carrie Ann has one son, Samuel Sutkin Maier, who is attending college in Ohio.

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