The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, April 15, 2019, at 3 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2019

The House met at 2:30 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CASE).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
April 12, 2019.

I hereby appoint the Honorable Ed Case to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

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

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

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
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Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
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H.R. 2292. A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to provide funding for American Health Benefit Exchanges to develop navigator programs and outreach and assistance materials; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R. 2293. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to exclude complex rehabilitation manual wheelchairs from the Medicare competitive acquisition program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

H.R. 2295. A bill to provide additional funding for the public housing Capital Fund for large public housing agencies, for mortgage foreclosure mitigation assistance, and for incremental rental assistance vouchers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

H.R. 2299. A bill to establish a review of the Social Security Act and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make improvements in the old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, and to provide for Social Security benefit protection; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

H.R. 2303. A bill to establish a registrant for violent gun offenders, to provide for sufficient notification of their whereabouts, to honor the memory of Gladys Ricart and other gun crime victims, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 2305. A bill to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to exclude extensions of credit made to veterans from the definition of a member business loan; to the Committee on Financial Services.

H.R. 2306. A bill to amend titles XI and XIX of the Social Security Act to strengthen the Medicaid program in Puerto Rico, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R. 2307. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide authority to the Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration to provide a cash award to law enforcement employees with foreign language skills, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

H.R. 2308. A bill to amend the VA Mission Act of 2018 to expand the veterans health care-system.
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veterans medical access and scholarship program to include more students and schools; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Miss GONZALEZ-COLON of Puerto Rico:

H. R. 2309. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to treat Puerto Rico as part of the United States for purposes of determining the eligibility of property to qualify for treatment as a like-kind exchange; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Miss GONZALEZ-COLON of Puerto Rico:

H. R. 2310. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to eliminate late enrollment in part A of the Medicare program for individuals residing in Puerto Rico if such individuals enroll within 5 years of becoming entitled to benefits under part A of such program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. HAALLAND (for herself, Mr. VICENZI of Illinois, Mr. FOLANO, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. BERNICE, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. CATRO, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, and the Select Committee on Intelligence), for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. KINZINGER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mrs. WATSON-COLEMAN, Mr. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. LANDY, Mr. NOLAN, Mr. PENN, and Ms. WILLS of Arkansas:

H. R. 2311. A bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to prohibit the stigmatization of children who are unable to pay for meals; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Ms. HAALLAND (for herself, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. MENG, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PAPPAS, and Ms. WILLS of Arkansas):

H. R. 2312. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to establish the Office of Inclusivity and Sexual Health and a rural outreach grant program carried out by that Office, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. HUFFMAN (for himself and Mr. GOKARI):

H. R. 2313. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an investment credit for certain conservation subsidies to include subsidies to small farmers and for efficiency measures and storm water management measures; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. LAHOOD (for himself, Mr. KINZINGER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. RODNEY-DAVIS of Illinois, Mrs. BUSTOS, Mr. WILLIAMS, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. SMUCKER, Mr. KATKO, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, and Mr. BOST):

H. R. 2314. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an investment tax credit related to the production of electricity from nuclear energy; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. LEE of Nevada (for herself, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. TRONE, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mrs. TRAHAN, Ms. NORTON, Mr. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. BARRAGAN, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. McGovern, Mr. FUDGE, Mr. TITUS, and Mr. LEVIN of Michigan):


By Mr. LUJAN (for himself, Mr. HAALLAND of New Mexico, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. CARDENAS, Mr. RUIZ, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. MOORE, Mr. GALLEGO, Ms. KENDRA S. HORN of Oklahoma, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. GRJALVA, and Mr. TORRES SMALL of New Mexico):

H. R. 2316. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to require a Federal medical assistance percentage of 100 percent for zero-income families for other than educational purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. NORCROSS:

H. R. 2317. A bill to designate the Peter J. McGuire Memorial and Peter J. McGuire Gravesite located in Pennsauken, New Jersey, as a National Historic Landmark, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. POSEY:

H. R. 2318. A bill to amend the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 to improve mapping under the National Flood Insurance Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. RICE of South Carolina (for himself, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. GOODALL, Mr. CONWAY, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mrs. LESKO, Mr. STEWART, Mr. YOHOO, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. HUIZenga, Mr. ZELDEN, Mr. AMODU of Texas, and Mr. TORRES SMALL of New Mexico):

H. R. 2319. A bill to improve the national instant criminal background check system in order to search the National Data Exchange database when conducting criminal background checks; to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself and Mr. SHERI):

H. R. 2320. A bill to direct the President to submit to Congress a report on fugitives currently residing in other countries whose extradition is sought by the United States and related matters; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. VAN DREW:

H. R. 2321. A bill to require a standard financial aid offer form, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. ENGEL (for himself, Mr. GUTJALVA, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. MAYA, Mr. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. STANTON, Mr. POCAN, Mr. MORELLE, Mr. McGovern, Ms. SPEIER, Ms. CARSWELL of New York, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. OMAR, Ms. NORTON, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. DEBETTE, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. SOTO, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. TONKIN, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. SEAN-PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. KLINNER, Mr. NADLER, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. DREUCH, Mr. PITTERS, Mr. PAPPAS, Miss RICE of New York, Mr. WELCH, Mr. LEVIN of Michigan, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. CICERONE, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. HAALAND, Mrs. WATSON-COLEMAN, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. RYAN, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. VELAZQUEZ, Ms. MENJ, Mrs. CHAD, Mr. NEGUICE, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. OLITUDE, Mr. CASTOR of Florida, Ms. McCOLLUM, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. YLSMUTH, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. MERKS, Mr. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. KHSEMONOORTHI, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. LOLA, Ms. LE of California, Mr. CORREA, Mr. TITUS, Mr. BREA, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Mr. SIEHNE, Mr. WILD, Mr. ESCOBAR, and Mrs. DELIBEO of Texas):

H. Con. Res. 31. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of GLSEN’s 2019 Day of Silence in bringing attention to anti-lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) name-calling, bullying, and harassment faced by individuals in schools; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CORREA (for himself, Mr. BARRARRAK, Mr. COHEN, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. AGUILAR, Mr. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. HICK, Mr. GARAMENDI, Ms. COSTA, Ms. NORTON, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, and Ms. DELBENE):

H. Res. 315. A resolution expressing support for the designation of April 2019 as “National Donate Life Month”; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. JOHNSON of Texas (for herself, Mr. CORREA, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. SAN NICOLAS, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. WATSON-COLEMAN, Mr. GABBAH, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. COHEN, Mr. FLORENCE, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. KING of New York, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. HORSFORD, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. HASTINGS, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. BARBAJAN, Ms. HAALAND, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. GARCIA of Illinois, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, and Ms. ADAMS):

H. Res. 316. A resolution promoting minority health awareness and supporting the goals and ideals of National Minority Health Month in April 2019, which include bringing attention to the health disparities faced by minority populations of the United States such as American Indians, Alaska Natives, Asian Americans, African Americans, Hispanics, and Native Hawaiians or other Pacific Islanders; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Ms. ADAMS (for herself, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Mr. DE LA CRUZ of California, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. RYAN, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. MOORE, Mr. NORTON, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. DINGELL, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Ms. BEATTY, Mr. COHEN, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. WASSERMAN-SCHULTZ, Ms. McCOLLUM, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. CRIST, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Mr. SEAN-PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. POPE of Pennsylvania, Mr. ROCHESTER, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Ms. HAALAND, Mrs. HAYES, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. NADER, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Ms. MENG, Ms. PLASKETT, Ms. DE LAURO, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. SHALALA, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. FUDGE, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. KRISHNMAMOTHI, Ms. OMAR, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Mrs. MCBATH, Mr. CURRIMING, Ms. MILL, and Ms. PRESSLEY):

H. Res. 317. A resolution supporting the designation of the week of April 11 through April 19, 2019 as “Build a Health Week”; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.
MEMORIALS

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

By Mr. REED (for himself, Ms. SPEIER, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. NORTON, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. BEYER, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. POCAN, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. MCMICKEY, Mr. YARMUTH, Mr. COHEN, Mr. EMMER, Mr. JOVICK of Ohio, Mr. NADLER, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. MOULTON, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Ms. MOORE, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mrs. WACHTER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, and Mr. SWALWELL of California):

H. Res. 319. A resolution recognizing and supporting the goals and ideals of “National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month”; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. Res. 320. A resolution commending the University of Virginia men’s basketball team for winning the 2019 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Men’s Basketball Championship; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

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

By Ms. WATERS:

H. R. 2392.

Mr. Speaker,

The power granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

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Mr. Speaker,

The power granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

H. R. 2383.

Mr. Speaker,

The power granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

H. R. 2394.

Mr. Speaker,

The power granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

H. R. 2379.

Mr. Speaker,

The power granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

H. R. 2378.

Mr. Speaker,

The power granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

H. R. 2377.

Mr. Speaker,

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The power granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

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H. R. 2373.

Mr. Speaker,

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H. R. 2372.

Mr. Speaker,

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H. R. 2371.

Mr. Speaker,

The power granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

H. R. 2370.

Mr. Speaker,

The power granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

H. R. 2369.

Mr. Speaker,

The power granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

H. R. 2368.

Mr. Speaker,

The power granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

H. R. 2367.

Mr. Speaker,

The power granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

H. R. 2366.

Mr. Speaker,

The power granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

H. R. 2365.

Mr. Speaker,

The power granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 and 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas:

H. R. 2363.

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

Article 1, Section 8, clause 18 (Necessary and Proper Clause).

By Miss GONZALEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico:

H. R. 2362.

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

The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; [ . . . ]—And

To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Miss GONZALEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico:

H. R. 2361.

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

The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; [ . . . ]—And

To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes; [ . . . ]—And

To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Miss GONZALEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico:

H. R. 2360.

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

The Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to Article I, Section 8, Clauses 1, 3 and 18 of the U.S. Constitution, which provide as follows:

The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; [ . . . ]—And

To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes; [ . . . ]—And

To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.
States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States;[...]

To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes;[...]

And to make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States; and nothing in this Constitution shall be so construed as to Prejudice any Claims of the United States, or of any particular State.

By Ms. GONZALEZ-COLON of Puerto Rico:
H. R. 2310.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to Article IV, Section 3, which provides, in relevant part, as follows:

The Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

Moreover, the Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to Article IV, Section 3, which provides, in relevant part, as follows:

The Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. RICE of South Carolina:
H. R. 2319.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to Article IV, Section 3, which provides, in relevant part, as follows:

The Congress shall have Power to lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts, and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties and Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.

Moreover, the Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to Article IV, Section 3, which provides, in relevant part, as follows:

The Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States; and nothing in this Constitution shall be so construed as to Prejudice any Claims of the United States, or of any particular State.

By Ms. HAALAND of New Mexico:
H. R. 2320.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to Article IV, Section 3, which provides, in relevant part, as follows:

The Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States; and nothing in this Constitution shall be so construed as to Prejudice any Claims of the United States, or of any particular State.

By Mr. LUJÁN:
H. R. 2316.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.

By Mr. NORCROSS:
H. R. 2317.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. POSEY:
H. R. 2318.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H. R. 4: Mr. LANGEVIN.
H. R. 51: Ms. FINKENAUER.
H. R. 61: Ms. PINGREE.
H. R. 64: Mr. KOCH.
H. R. 153: Mr. WATERS.
H. R. 291: Mr. CARP.
H. R. 307: Mr. RASKIN.
H. R. 336: Mr. ADERHOLT.
H. R. 395: Mr. ATKINS.
H. R. 397: Mr. TONKO, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Mr. VEASEY, Ms. SLOTKIN, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. DELAGADO, Ms. KENDRA S. HORN of Oklahoma, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. MECEAHN, Mr. LULIAN, Mr. YARMUTH, Mrs. PETERS, Ms. FINKENAUER, and Mr. AGUILAR.
H. R. 400: Mr. GROTHMAN.
H. R. 414: Mr. BUCHANAN.
H. R. 420: Mr. HUFFMAN.
H. R. 451: Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. SCHIFF, and Mrs. TONE of California.
H. R. 481: Mr. BARIN.
H. R. 493: Mrs. LURIA.
H. R. 500: Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas, Ms. SCANLON, Mr. CRIST, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. LAHood, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Ms. MORE, Mrs. WATSON-COLMAN, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. ESCOBAR, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Ms. FRANKEL, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. SCHEUER, Ms. EISENBERGER, Mr. BUNCHETT, Ms. FINKENAUER, and Mr. PENCE.
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PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 3 of rule XII, petitions and papers were laid on the clerk’s desk and referred as follows:

7. The SPEAKER presented a petition of Bethany Garten, Supervisor of the City and County of San Francisco, relative to Resolution No. 129-19, urging the United States Department of Health and Human Services to rescind the new Title X regulations that will impede access to essential, time-sensitive health care for low-income women, men, and teens in San Francisco and the United States; to the Committees on Energy and Commerce.

8. Also, a petition of National Conference of Republican County Officials, relative to
urging the Congress of the United States and the President to fund border control impediments along with the strengthening of border control infrastructure to ensure compliance with and enforcement of federal immigration laws; to the Committee on the Judiciary.  

9. Also, a petition of City of Miami Beach, Florida, relative to Resolution No. 2019-30752, accepting the recommendations of the Hispanic Affairs Committee and urging the city’s Congressional Delegation to support temporary protective status for the Venezuelan community and to support the efforts of Venezuelan Interim President Juan Guaido to bring humanitarian relief to the people of Venezuela and diplomatic efforts to promote democracy in Venezuela against the despotic Maduro regime; jointly to the Committees on the Judiciary and Foreign Affairs.  

DISCHARGE PETITIONS—ADDITIONS AND WITHDRAWALS  
The following Member added his name to the following discharge petition:  

Petition 1 by Mr. SCALISE on House Resolution 102: Mr. Rutherford.
CONGRATULATING SUSAN KUBORN FOR WINNING A GOLD MEDAL IN THE 1,500 METER RUN AT THE 2019 SPECIAL OLYMPICS WORLD GAMES

HON. BEN McADAMS
OF UTAH
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. McADAMS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend the members of the Utah International Mountain Forum, a coalition of student clubs at Utah Valley University (UVU) on efforts to advance sustainable mountain development around the world. These accomplished 13 students help highlight how UVU’s Student Engaged Learning (SEL) model gives students opportunities for both professional advancement and the chance to work with local, state, national and international leaders to foster sustainable development, particularly for women and girls.

Through SEL, students take the lead in learning how to solve problems by collaborating with faculty mentors. Most of the students are nontraditional students who work full- or part-time, are 25 years or older and support a family while attending school.

Months of preparation preceded the New York event. They partnered with two prominent NGOs—the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences and Utah China Friendship Improvement Sharing Hands Development and Cooperation—to submit goals for addressing food insecurity, education access and climate change effects in mountain communities. They participated in global events such as the 61st and 62nd Commission on the Status of Women and organized celebrations on International Mountain Day and International Women’s Day that brought high-level diplomats from around the world to see Utah’s efforts firsthand.

During CSW63, the students hosted a parallel event to highlight the successful implementation of UVU’s engaged learning model to address issues facing women and girls in Utah. It also showcased international women studying in Utah. Individual students presented their own work, including Hannah Bieker who spoke on her peers’ service projects in support of impoverished women in Mexico; Megan Davis spoke on Utah’s distinction as the first state to allow women to vote; William Gum-Causey spoke on Utah and UVU’s efforts to address aspects of the state’s rural/urban economic divide; and Aldon Trimble spoke on joint UVU-Oxford University research about Utah’s air quality and how Utah addresses the problems of the children of incarcerated parents.

These combined efforts and events allowed the UVU delegation to demonstrate the role that students—particularly nontraditional students—play in contributing to sustainable development in both Utah and mountain communities around the world. By empowering themselves, the students help empower other communities and the women and girls residing there.

HON. CHERI BUSTOS
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Susan Kuborn of Rockford for winning a gold medal at the 2019 Special Olympics World Games held in Abu Dhabi. Susan Kuborn knew that this was a “once-in-a-lifetime” opportunity and she trained hard to win gold in the 1,500 meter run. Ms. Kuborn was one of only five Illinois to compete at the Special Olympics World Games. As a former athlete, I appreciate the fortitude Ms. Kuborn displayed to achieve her dream of winning gold and commend her for her outstanding efforts. Ms. Kuborn is an example of the importance of dedication and a strong work ethic. I am proud there is such young talent in our community, and to see her represent Rockford not just here at home but throughout the world.

It is because of leaders such as Susan Kuborn that I am especially proud to serve Illinois’ 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate Susan Kuborn on her gold medal win at the Special Olympics World Games.

HONORING TOYAMA KARATE-DO’S 50TH ANNIVERSARY AND 47TH BLACK BELT GRADUATION

HON. J. LUIS CORREA
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, I would like to take some time today to honor Toyama Karate-Do Martial Arts Academy and recognize their 50 years of commitment to the community and the celebration of their 47th Black Belt Graduation.

Toyama Karate-Do began on April 26, 1969, and it was named after Hanshi Toyama Kankan, who was the founder of the Shudo-Kan style, in Okinawa, Japan. Fifty years later, Toyama has the same mission; teach discipline, confidence, and self-defense to prepare students physically and mentally to lead a better way of life.

In 1991, Toyama Karate-Do reached Southern California, opening the first school in the United States. Toyama is the most recognized and accomplished Martial Arts Organization in Orange County and one of the top 100 schools in the United States. Currently, Toyama has more than 75 schools worldwide, including locations in Bolivia, Japan, and Canada.

Instructors, Rodolfo Cazales, a 7th degree Black Belt, and his son Jerry Cazales, a 5th Degree Black Belt, are responsible for the United States expansion. They have been teaching side by side to bring the “Traditional System” and the “New Creative System” together to provide Dynamic Martial Arts Youth Programs. Toyama Santa Ana has over 2,000 active students involved through SAUSD, City, and Private Programs and is one of the most successful Toyama Karate-Do programs in the United States.

Toyama’s Creed is:

Why do we practice Karate-Do?: For a better and stronger physical, mental, and spiritual ability.

What are the values of Karate-Do?: Justice, Courtesy, Humbleness, Determination, Self-Respect, and Respect towards our Family, Teachers, Peers, and everyone we encounter.

What is the meaning of Karate-Do?: “The Road of the Empty Hand.” In Karate-Do we do not inflict harm with an attack, but attack with a defense to protect our life.

I recognize Toyama Karate-Do and the Cazales family for all they do for my constituents. They truly are a great asset to the community.

RETIEMENT OF SENIOR COUNSEL HARRY “HANK” SAVAGE

HON. DON YOUNG
OF ALASKA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. YOUNG. Madam Speaker, on May 2, Senior Counsel Harry “Hank” Atack Savage is retiring from the Office of Legislative Counsel after 33 years. I want to commend Hank for his long and excellent service, and his improvements to the many bills on which he has worked over the years. In addition to working for other Committees, Hank handled maritime, Coast Guard, coastal and ocean and other issues for the now defunct Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, and for the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, the Committee on Natural Resources, and the Committee on Armed Services. When I chaired the Committee on Natural Resources and later, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, I was glad to have his support and expertise when drafting complex legislation.

As the maritime transportation counsel, Hank helped shepherd through Coast Guard authorization bills, including eight in the last nine Congresses, and a Maritime Administration authorization measure in every National Defense Authorization Act since 1995. His work has left a lasting impression on title 14, Coast Guard, and title 46, Shipping, of the
United States Code. He also has drafted un- 
told numbers of Jones Act waivers covering 
every imaginable type vessel, ownership sce- 
nario, and vessel history.

On the Natural Resources Committee, I was particularly appreciative of his work on the 1996 update of the National Wildlife Refuge System organic statute during my first term as 
Chairman. He also worked on the first update of the hydrographic surveying laws in half a 
century, the Hydrographic reauthorization of the National Marine Sanctuaries Act, and mul- 
tiple Coastal Barrier Resources System Act amendments, including the provision that led to 
the digitization of the Coastal Barrier Re- 
source system maps.

Of course, as the Congressman for All Alas- 
ka, I appreciate Hank’s work on legislation re- 
lated to numerous Alaska maritime and terres- 
trial issues, including the environmental restora-
tion and land transfers on the Pribilof Is-
lands.

Hank is a proud University of Michigan grad, 
and graduated from Tulane Law School in New 
Orleans.

Again, I want to thank Hank for his long and 
excellent service to Congress, and I am sure 
I am speaking for a long line of current and 
former Congressmen who share those thanks. I wish Hank and his wife, who is re-
turning for Federal Service this spring, a long 
and happy retirement. I hope that will include a trip to Alaska.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. A. DONALD McEACHIN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. McEACHIN. Madam Speaker, I was un-
avoidably detained on April 3, 2019 during roll 
call no. 144, on ordering the Previous Ques-
tion to H. Res. 281, providing for consideration 
of the bill (H.R. 1585) to reauthorize the Vio-
lenge Against Women Act of 1994, and for 
other purposes. Had I been present, I would 
have voted “aye.” I was unavoidably de-
tained during roll call no. 145, on Agreeing to 
the Resolution, H. Res. 281, Providing for con-
cideration of the bill (H.R. 1585) to reauthorize 
the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, and for 
other purposes. Had I been present, I would 
have voted “aye.” I was unavoidably de-
tained during roll call no. 146, on Agreeing to 
the Resolution, H. Res. 281, Condemning the 
Trump Administration’s Legal Campaign to 
Take Away Americans’ Health Care. Had I 
been present, I would have voted “aye.” I was also 
avoidably detained during roll call no. 147, on 
Agreeing to the Amendment, Jeffries of New York 
Part B Amendment No. 1, to H.R. 1585. Had I 
been present, I would have voted, “aye.” I was also 
avoidably detained during roll call no. 148, on 
Agreeing to the Amendment, Scarnier of Pennsyl-
vania Part B Amendment No. 2, to H.R. 1585. Had I 
been present, I would have voted “aye.” I was also 
avoidably detained during roll call no. 149, on 
Agreeing to the Amendment, Jetties of New York 
Part B Amendment No. 3, to H.R. 1585. Had I 
been present, I would have voted, “aye.” I was also 
avoidably detained during roll call no. 150, on 
Agreeing to the Amendment, Finkenauer of Iowa 
Part B Amendment No. 4, to H.R. 1585. Had I 
been present, I would have voted, “aye.”
I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

RECOGNIZING MRS. MARY NELL CHEW
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. BOST. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mrs. Mary Nell Chew of Carbondale, Illinois, for her significant contribution to the Veterans Honor Flight of Southern Illinois, a program that honors veterans with a free trip to Washington, D.C. to visit their monuments and memorials.

As a testament to her dedication to the brave men and women who have served our country, Mrs. Chew made the gracious decision to help fund the travel of many Southern Illinois heroes on their trip to Washington. The daughter and wife of veterans herself, she understands what it means for veterans to visit the nation’s capital and honor all the brave men and women who have served our country. By sponsoring an entire flight herself, Mrs. Chew has allowed 90 veterans from across generations to make this trip.

Madam Speaker, please join me honoring Mrs. Mary Nell Chew for her generosity and dedication to our nation’s veterans.

IN RECOGNITION OF DANA KERVIN AND HER 25 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE HOUSTON ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS
OF TEXAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. BABBIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate the centennial anniversary of Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District in Baytown, Harris County, Texas.

Goose Creek ISD was created by an act of the Texas Legislature in February 1919. On July 26, 1919, the first Goose Creek School Board was organized and hired John F. Crawford as the district's first superintendent. Many of the first students to attend Goose Creek schools were children of employees of the nearby Humble Oil and Refining Company, later known as ExxonMobil. In 1922, the first school bond election provided the necessary funding for building Anson Jones Elementary School, Baytown Elementary, and Goose Creek High School.

Goose Creek experienced tremendous growth during the mid-twentieth century with the annexation of Highlands in 1936 and the unification of the Tri-Cities of Goose Creek, Baytown, and Cedar Bayou in 1948. Cedar Bayou ISD merged with Goose Creek ISD on March 6, 1954, forming the Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District.

Today, Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District is the largest employer in the community. With nearly 24,000 students and twenty-eight schools, Goose Creek is the fifty-eighth largest school district in the State of Texas.

Madam Speaker, it is my distinct honor to recognize and celebrate the 100th anniversary of Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District. May God continue to bless the students, faculty, and communities the district serves.

IN HONOR OF DANA KERVIN AND HER 25 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE HOUSTON ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS
OF TEXAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. BRADY. Madam Speaker, I rise in recognition of Dana Kervin and her 25 years of service to the Houston Association of Realtors. Over the past quarter of a century, Dana has spent countless hours serving and Improving our community.

Though not a native Texan, Dana made her way to Houston as soon as possible. Dana grew up in Rayville, Louisiana, and later attended the University of Louisiana at Monroe, earning a bachelor’s degree in Business Administration and Management. After graduation, Dana moved to Houston to embark on a career in public affairs. In the Harris County Attorney’s Office, she served as the Executive Assistant to the late Mike Driscoll for 12 dedicated years. In 1994, Dana transitioned to a new career with the Houston Association of Realtors (HAR), where she currently serves as the Chief Political Strategist.

During her 25 years at the HAR, Dana has served the group in a variety of ways, holding diverse positions such as the Director of Products and Services and Government Affairs Director. In each position she held, Dana led HAR with bold forethought and keen leadership. As all who had the privilege of working with her can attest, her tenure at HAR has made the organization the best it can be.

Outside her work with HAR, Dana has been a prominent figure in the Greater Houston community. She was the Founding Board Chair of the Greater Houston Women’s Chamber of Commerce and also served as the President of the River Oaks Place Home Owners Association. As a Mayoral appointee, Dana currently serves as Director on the Houston Housing Finance Corporation, a position that combines her passion for public service and her deep knowledge of real estate finance.

Dana’s genuine love of her peers and dedication to making a difference has touched not only her colleagues, friends, and family, but our entire community. I thank you for your years of friendship and dedication to the Greater Houston area, and I wish you all the best as I have no doubt you will find new ways to be at service to the community.
Major Thomas R. Butz, currently living in Marietta, Georgia, recipient of the Silver Star, Army veteran of the Vietnam War.

E–8 Howard Grady Deel of Delaware, recipient of the Silver Star, Army veteran of the Vietnam War.

Corporal Ernest G. Madden (posthumously), recipient of the Silver Star, Marine Corps veteran of the Vietnam War.


Lieutenant Colonel John C. Barber (posthumously), recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross, Army veteran of the Vietnam War.

Chief Warrant Officer Second Class David R. Holloway of Cincinnati, recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross, Army veteran of the Vietnam War.


Sergeant First Class John E. Bateman of Albany, recipient of the Bronze Star with "V" Device, Army veteran of the Vietnam War.

Lieutenant Colonel Kenneth L. Bonnell of Marysville, recipient of the Bronze Star with "V" Device, Army veteran of the Vietnam War.

Sergeant Michael E. Jackson of East Palestine, recipient of the Bronze Star with "V" Device, Army veteran of the Vietnam War.

Sergeant Robert J. Gold (posthumously), recipient of the Bronze Star with "V" Device, Army veteran of the Vietnam War.

Specialist Fourth Class Gary W. Gross (posthumously), recipient of the Bronze Star with "V" Device, Army veteran of the Vietnam War.

First Lieutenant Michael E. Jackson of Shaker Heights, recipient of the Bronze Star with "V" Device, Army veteran of the Vietnam War.

Staff Sergeant Regis W. Kern of Marietta, recipient of the Bronze Star with "V" Device, Army veteran of the Vietnam War.


Lance Corporal George R. “Roge” Bacon of Lisbon, recipient of the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Marine Corps veteran of the Vietnam War.

Captain Christopher T. Orr of Pataskala, recipient of the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Marine Corps veteran of the Vietnam War.

HONORING MR. STEVE REYNOLDS FOR HIS REMARKABLE SERVICE TO ARIZONA

HON. PAUL A. GOSAR
OF ARIZONA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. GOSAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor First Lieutenant Steve Reynolds, a 40-year member of the Navajo County Hashknife Sheriff’s Posse. Reynolds has aided in rescue operations on horseback for decades and has been on 60 annual Hashknife Pony Express rides. This year, the Navajo County Sheriff’s Hashknife Posse Board has decided to dedicate the 61st ride to Reynolds.

Moving to Holbrook, Arizona with his father at a young age taught Reynolds the value of the hard work engrained in “the cowboy lifestyle.” He moved out of Holbrook to attend High School in Chandler, Arizona. After graduation he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and completed two tours in Vietnam before being wounded by an explosion that left him hospitalized for a year. Reynolds returned to Holbrook and became a deputy with Navajo County Sheriff’s Office and a member of the Posse, and later a certified police officer with the state of Arizona.

Reynolds’ work with the Posse has led him to aid in rescue operations for decades, working during fires and floods, as well as a part of missing persons search teams. All members of the Posse are required to complete 40 hours of training that cover CPR, first aid, and search and rescue. Reynolds mentions that most mounted Posse organizations have disappeared due to lack of funds; fortunately Navajo County understands the contributions that the Posse has made in the community.

The annual Pony Express is one of the biggest fund raisers used to keep the Posse afloat.

Today Reynolds resides in Prescott, Arizona, where he spends time with his many grandchildren. The people of Arizona, but especially the people of Northern Arizona, will always be grateful for the selfless work of our veterans, especially the work of Steve Reynolds.

HON. JAMES A. HIMES
OF CONNECTICUT
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. HIMES. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the London Philharmonic Orchestra for its remarkable work as an artistic and educational body. Since its foundation in 1932, the LPO has helped spread the joys of music through live and recorded performances, playing throughout Asia, Europe, and the United States, and recording pieces for film and videogame soundtracks. On April 16, 2019 my district will host the Philharmonic for their first ever performance in the State of Connecticut.

As one of the leading orchestras in the world, the LPO has used its reach and influence to promote music education, foster participation in the arts, and enhance performance skills with students from all socio-economic backgrounds. The London Music Masters, created by LPO Chairwoman and Green-wich-native Lady Victoria Robey, has given 1500 inner-city London students the opportunity to develop their musical skills and to model themselves after mentors both in and outside of the program. Through this program and many others, Lady Robey and the LPO have shared their love of music and made an invaluable contribution to youth development.

Music is a uniquely powerful force. It brings people together, speaks volumes when words cannot, and enriches the lives of all who encounter it. The London Philharmonic Orchestra has touched the lives of its audience and established itself as an irreplaceable part of the musical world.

HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER
OF MISSOURI
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the city of Old Monroe, Missouri, on the commemoration of its Bicentennial.

Old Monroe, located in Lincoln County, Missouri, has a rich history dating back to 1673 and the exploration of Frenchmen James Marquette and Louis Joliet. Old Monroe is the oldest town in Lincoln County and was a city before Missouri obtained statehood.

In 1799, Christopher Cline settled along the rich freshwater spring in Lincoln county. He deemed the land to be the “finest, richest, and most attractive district.” Among the first settlers, were Joseph Cottle, Zadock Wood, and
his brothers: James and Martin Woods settling near present day Old Monroe. In 1802, Ira and Almond Cottle, relatives of Joseph Cottle, moved from Vermont to Missouri. Several years later, Ira and Almond established the town of Old Monroe—named out of respect for President James Monroe.

In 1819, the town was the site of the first election held in Lincoln County. The Territorial General Assembly organized 8 new counties in Missouri, dividing them into three judicial circuits: Southern, Northern, and Northwestern. Lincoln was placed in the Northwestern Circuit. The first court of the new Northwest Circuit was held in the home of Zadock Woods.

In 1859, the United Evangelical church of Old Monroe was organized by a group of German Protestants, with approximately 50 families participating. The next year, the congregation merged with the Evangelical Synod of North America Church eventually becoming the St. Paul United Church of Christ that still stands today. The settlers sought to honor God when establishing their town and would be proud of how the church has come.

The city of Old Monroe will commemorate its 200th Bicentennial with three separate weekends full of exciting events. The weekend of May 4, the town will have a parade and day in the park, along with a flag ceremony, ball tournaments, and local historian speakers. The weekend of June 8, Old Monroe will celebrate with a car show, motorcycle rally, and a kayak river race. Finally, the weekend of September 14, the town will host a BBQ cook off, street dancing, and a duck calling contest. A celebration fit for this incredible milestone.

I ask you to join me in congratulating the city of Old Monroe on their 200th Anniversary. May the town’s rich history continue to be the foundation for an undeniably bright future.

REMARKS ON H.R. 1585, THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN REAUTHORIZATION ACT

HON. TED LIEU
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. TED LIEU of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 1585, the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2019, which was introduced by my good friend Representative KAREN BASS.

In 1994, Congress took the monumental step of passing the Violence Against Women Act to address violence against women. The bill establishes services like skill-building and legal aid to help women and ensure they had access to justice and necessary services. Since its first enactment, Congress has reauthorized the law several times to provide critical updates and ensure that vulnerable persons, including Native Americans and LGBTQ Americans, are protected.

While domestic violence has declined in the past two decades, it remains too high. One-quarter of women and one-ninth of men suffer from intimate partner violence or intimate partner stalking; moreover, every year one in 15 kids is exposed to such violence. That is why I am pleased that we are considering H.R. 1585, which reauthorizes and improves the Violence Against Women Act. Among other things, the bill increases the funding authorization for the Rape Prevention and Education Program, improves grant programs that serve domestic violence survivors with disabilities or who are elderly, and ensures that Native American survivors have access to justice.

Furthermore, H.R. 1585 recognizes the relationship between violence and homelessness. In the Los Angeles Continuum of Care area, which includes my congressional district, nearly half of women who experienced homelessness reported that they had also experienced domestic violence and 14 percent stated that domestic violence was the reason they became homeless in the first place. We know that when women leave their abusers they are gravely concerned about finding safe and affordable housing and that too often they’re forced to choose between staying with their abuser or facing homelessness. Critically, H.R. 1585 preserves and improves housing protections for survivors.

I’d also like to respond to criticism from my Republican colleagues about firearms and transgender people.

First, according to researchers from Johns Hopkins University and others, we know that the risk that a woman will die increases more than fivefold when her abusive partner has access to a firearm. H.R. 1585 acknowledges this reality and ensures that those convicted of stalking misdemeanors and dating violence or who are subject to ex parte orders do not possess firearms.

Second, transgender people experience violence at disproportionately high rates—since 2013 more than 128 transgender Americans have been killed—and they deserve access to services for domestic violence survivors. I believe it is vitally important that the Violence Against Women Act is inclusive of trans people.

The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act takes important steps to address violence against men and women in the United States. Thank you, Madam Speaker, for bringing this bill to the House Floor. I am proud to lend my support and vote in favor of it.

RECOGNIZING PATRICIA MORRIS
HON. JASON SMITH
OF MISSOURI
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mrs. Patricia Morris, the Honoree for the “Daughters of Sunset”, a non-profit community service organization in Sikeston, Missouri, as they celebrate their 35th Anniversary.

Mrs. Morris is the owner and director of Keidra’s Caring Center, a day program for the elderly and disabled, serving Sikeston, MO and Caruthersville, MO. Prior to her work in the field of Adult Day Services, she worked as a Youth Specialist, helping at risk adolescents become successful members of society.

Mrs. Morris is an active member of her church, the Cornerstone Baptist Church, where she is the Choir Director. She is also a member of the Good Will Working Women Auxiliary and a member of the Sikeston Auxiliary and the Pastor Aide Auxiliary.

Mrs. Morris is a graduate of Charleston High School and Southeast Missouri State University, where she received a Medical Assistant Certificate. She and her husband, Michael, are the proud parents of two daughters.

On behalf of the Eighth Congressional District of Missouri, it is my great privilege to congratulate Mrs. Patricia Morris on her recognition by the “Daughters of Sunset” for a lifetime of service.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF GOODWILL OF WESTERN MISSOURI AND EASTERN KANSAS
HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER
OF MISSOURI
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, I proudly rise today to recognize and celebrate the 125th anniversary of Goodwill of Western Missouri and Eastern Kansas, a nonprofit organization whose core foundation is aimed at providing people with the necessary resources and life skills to become self-sufficient and successful individuals. After decades of commitment to assisting those in their communities, the organization now operates as a product of two combined agencies, the Helping Hand Institute and Goodwill Industries.

Commencement of the organization’s mission within the Kansas City area began in 1894 on Grand Boulevard with the Helping Hand Institute, an organization committed to providing shelter and employment resources to those in need. The Kansas City residents within the organization worked on the Helping Hand Institute’s farm to feed the community or found employment salvaging waste material, breaking rock at quarries, and bailing paper in exchange for food and shelter.

Along the east coast, an organization sharing a similar initiative arose in 1902 inspired by Reverend Edgar J. Helms, the social innovator behind Goodwill Industries. After witnessing innumerable immigrant families struggling to provide for themselves due to unemployment, Rev. Helms collected clothing and household items from wealthy families to be repurposed and resold at discounted costs. Using the revenue generated from those items, he funded his organization and employed a multitude of people in need of work to provide for their families. The organization quickly expanded across the nation, and in 1925, Goodwill Industries of Greater Kansas City opened their first establishment at St. Peter’s Evangelical Church on Oak Street. In the 1940’s, Goodwill Industries wished to further amplify their mission by making employment opportunities for people in need more accessible by providing educational and vocational rehabilitation available to the community.

In 1978, after thoughtful deliberation, Goodwill Industries merged with the Helping Hand Institution to form the Helping Hand of Goodwill, now officially known as “Goodwill of Western Missouri and Eastern Kansas.”

Today, this remarkable nonprofit organization continues to carry out their mission by helping community members find employment. Their services and programs, subsidized by grants, financial donations, and revenue generated by their stores, allow the organization to continue their important work without any expense to the public. Additionally, Goodwill manages and operates GoodWORKS Career Resource Centers across the Kansas City
region and other neighboring areas. These centers are available to the public and equipped with the resources, services and programs needed to assist anyone with a genuine desire to enter the workforce. Their services and programs include employment listings, career exploration, an overview of the job application process, resume building, mock interviews, and computer training, along with guidance in goal-setting and identifying the steps necessary to reach those goals. Their support and guidance are all inclusive—helping those with physical disadvantages, mental health diagnoses, substance abuse histories, criminal backgrounds, and developmental disabilties. Furthermore, they seek to empower local job seekers with the confidence and skills necessary to aid them in their ardent pursuit of employment.

Since its inception, Goodwill has served more than 600,000 people and secured more than 200,000 paying jobs. In 2017 alone, Goodwill served over 700 individuals, secured 155 jobs, and employed 536 new members with a total economic impact of 18 million dollars in Western Missouri and Eastern Kansas. Moreover, they receive over 20 million pounds of materials to be reused, resold, or recycled annually, which kept approximately 15 million pounds of items from ending up in landfills.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you and our colleagues consider all of Missouri’s Fifth Congressional District as we proudly commemorate the 125 years of exceptional service and individual empowerment rendered to our community by the Goodwill of Western Missouri and Eastern Kansas. Let us join in demonstrating our strong appreciation for the perseverance of this organization as it continues to offer essential services and programs that meet the needs of those in our community.

**VOTE EXPLANATION ON H.R. 1585, AS AMENDED**

**HON. BILL HUIZENGA**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. HUIZENGA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to give an in-depth explanation for my vote on H.R. 1585, legislation to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, and to speak out against the partisan process in which the Majority crafted this bill.

Prior to the vote on H.R. 1585, I have made clear that I support the reauthorization of The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). I am frustrated by the fact that instead of putting forward a clean reauthorization of this vital legislation, the Democrat Majority allowed the provision to expire at the end of the last Congress for political purposes.

Protecting women from abuse is an issue so important that partisanship shouldn’t even be in the same sentence, yet the Majority chose to use this opportunity to push VAWA as a partisan political device instead of a bipartisan opportunity to help women in need. H.R. 1585 will not be passed by the Senate in its current form and I remain committed to seeing that VAWA is reauthorized in a manner that protects women from abuse, substance abuse histories, and domestic violence.

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the achievements of Anaheim Union High School Teacher Meg Elder, who has served as the school’s dance director and founding director of the Anaheim High School Performing Arts Conservatory.

She began her 31-year career at Anaheim High School in 1988 as a walk-on coach for the school’s drill team. Since then, more than 6,000 students have found a second home in her music and dance programs. Hundreds of Mrs. Elder’s students have obtained college degrees by following a path through the arts. Her students have also gone on to become doctors, attorneys, teachers, or have found success in other professions outside the arts. She credits their prosperity to the self-esteem and self-confidence they developed through the performing arts.
Mrs. Elder produced her last dance concert on April 13, 2019. The “LEGACY—A Celebration of 30 Years of Artistry,” featured past and current students applauding their teacher’s career and contribution to their lives.

Today, Anaheim High’s dance program ranks among some of the top high schools in the region, with a professional-level studio that is outfitted with audience seating, lighting systems, media projectors and other amenities.

Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I celebrate the work of Anaheim High Dance Teacher Meg Elder, who has dedicated her life to creating opportunities for students through the arts. She is leaving behind a legacy of arts appreciation for a legion of students.

CONGRATULATING THE PEORIA PLAYERS THEATRE ON ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. cheri bustos
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Peoria Players Theatre on its 100th anniversary. This milestone now makes the Peoria Players Theatre the oldest running regional theater in Illinois and fourth oldest in the nation.

The Peoria Players Theatre first got its start back in 1919, where it originally was called the Peoria Women’s Club home. Prior to settling in their current location in Lakeview park, where they have been since 1957, the Peoria Players Theatre has put on shows in places like the abandoned fire station on Jackson Street to the local high school auditorium—all without missing a beat. Not once has the Peoria Players Theatre closed its doors throughout its 100-year history; instead, they just kept entertaining the people of Peoria with everything from original plays to musicals. Peoria is lucky to have the Peoria Players Theatre represent the community so well, and I cannot wait to see what talent they produce over the next 100 years.

It is because of dedicated organizations such as the Peoria Players Theatre that I am especially proud to serve Illinois’ 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate the Peoria Players Theatre on its 100th anniversary.

VOTE EXPLANATION ON H.R. 1644

HON. DAVID B. MCKINLEY
OF WEST VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. MCKINLEY. Madam Speaker, on Wednesday, I voted against H.R. 1644 because it could open Internet Service Providers (ISPs) in rural areas to burdensome regulations that stifle innovation and slow the deployment of efficient and reliable broadband internet service. I would like to take this opportunity to express my vote.

A free and open internet is critically important, but heavy-handed regulation is not the only way to achieve net neutrality. I support the important concepts of no blocking, no throttling, and no paid prioritization and have cosponsored legislation to support this including: The Promoting Internet Freedom and Innovation Act of 2019 (H.R. 1096), the Open Internet Act of 2019 (H.R. 1096), and ACCESS BROADBAND Act (H.R. 1328).

Congress passed the Telecommunications Act of 1996, designating broadband as a Title I Information Service and subjecting it to a “light touch” regulatory system. As a result, the internet transformed into one of the most important drivers of economic growth and job creation.

In 2015, the Obama Administration’s Federal Communications Commission (FCC) reclassified the internet as a Title II Telecommunications Service, implementing heavy regulations and reporting requirements originally intended for rotary landline phones. This action led to a $3.6 billion decline in broadband investment; the first period of declining investment in the internet era. In 2017, the Trump FCC reversed the order to return the internet to its original light touch framework.

H.R. 1644 would bring back the heavily-handed regulation and government control of the internet. The measure would lock in approximately 700 unpublished rules that have not been shared with Members of Congress, some of which would allow the FCC to set rates, impose new taxes, approve the deployment of new technologies, and dictate how internet companies interact with their customers. The internet has thrived without government intervention and should continue to do so.

Most importantly, I have heard from many small internet service providers in West Virginia that the reclassification forced them to comply with extensive rules. These rules require them to write new policies, take money, and employee time to complete verifications on prioritization that they were not capable of engaging in to begin with. This bureaucracy is not only incredibly burdensome to small businesses, but it drives vital resources away from the deployment of broadband internet service in rural areas that need it most.

Lacking broadband service is more than an inconvenience; it is a barrier to education, connectivity, and economic growth. It is my hope that we can arrive at a permanent bipartisan solution that protects consumers, encourages innovation, and preserves an open internet. Unfortunately, this bill does not accomplish that.

I am hopeful that we can come to a bipartisan solution in good faith. The state of West Virginia is blessed with beautiful mountains and heavily forested land. However, the geography that makes our state so special also poses unique challenges in deploying internet technology.

RECOGNIZING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN CLASICAL LEAGUE

HON. WARREN DAVIDSON
OF OHIO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. DAVIDSON of Ohio. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and commemorate the 100th anniversary of the American Classical League (ACL). The ACL is dedicated to supporting and teaching Greek and Latin languages, literatures, and cultures.

Since 1919, the ACL has grown from a gathering of several Classical advocates to a national community of almost 2,500 educators, teaching grades PreK through college. The organization now offers opportunities for discovery for all ages, boasting more than 44,000 students grades 6–12 worldwide. Additionally, the ACL’s program “Excellence Through Classics” is celebrating 30 years of service of teachers of the youngest scholars.

The ACL has illustrated that the value of Latin and Greek all-encompassing cultural education programs in today’s society cannot be understated. It continues to enrich the lives of students through imparting an understanding of the foundational aspects of ancient classical civilizations. This education is a priceless gift that lends itself to having a well-rounded education and gives support to other core subjects by improving English language and literacy skills such as reading, writing and vocabulary development.

I am amazed by the work the American Classical League does and wish them well as they continue to build bridges from our past into our future for the next 100 years.

RECOGNIZING THE VILLAGE OF MILFORD

HON. HALEY M. STEVENS
OF MICHIGAN
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Village of Milford’s 150th anniversary of incorporation on April 12, 2019. Located in southwest Oakland County, Milford began with the building of a sawmill by Elizur and Stanley Ruggles in 1832 and was incorporated in 1869. Hydropower made it possible for Milford to become one of the first communities to have electric lights in 1892.

Known for its small-town charm and rich history, the North Milford Historic District was entered into the National Register of Historic Places on April 21, 2000. Downtown Milford is recognized for its lively events and entertainment as well as its local shopping and dining. Milford is also home to the General Motors Proving Ground, the world’s first dedicated automobile testing facility. The Proving Ground has been used to introduce industry-leading safety features such as front center air bags. The facility has also helped create a global standard for frontal crash test dummies and was the first rollover test facility.

I encourage everyone to come to Michigan’s 11th congressional district and, as we say, “meet me in Milford.” On its 150th anniversary, the Village of Milford has much to celebrate. I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating this tremendous milestone.

HONORING TRIG SOLBERG

HON. SEAN P. DUFFY
OF WISCONSIN
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. DUFFY. Madam Speaker, I’d like to congratulate my friend Trig Solberg of T.A.
HONORING ANNA WEAVER NORTON AND THE ANN NORTON SCULPTURE GARDEN

HON. LOIS FRANKEL
OF FLORIDA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Ms. FRANKEL. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Ann Weaver Norton and on behalf of the Ann Norton Sculpture Garden in West Palm Beach, Florida.

Ann Norton was an inspirational artist. She found her passion at age 8, when she received her first sculpting tools. She eventually moved to New York where she studied at the National Academy of Design, the Arts Student League of New York and Cooper Union. Ann served as an apprentice to the famed sculptor John Hovannes and a studio assistant to Alexander Archipenko. Her artwork was well received and she participated in numerous shows at the Museum of Modern Art and the Whitney Museum of American Art.

In 1942, Ann moved to West Palm Beach and began teaching at the Norton Gallery and School of Art. Five years later, she married Ralph Norton, the school’s founder. In 1977, Ann established the Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens Foundation. The sculpture garden and the foundation work to preserve the artwork of Ann Norton and other unique local treasures. The Norton Sculpture Gardens commemorates the great artwork and culture Ann brought to the community of South Florida.

On February 9, 2019, the Norton Sculpture Garden held a grand reopening. After $100 million in renovations over eight years, the museum now includes an additional 12,000 square feet of gallery space and a new exterior. On display one will experience artwork from the likes of Jackson Pollock, Claude Monet, and Georgia O’Keeffe.

I proudly join the Ann Norton Sculpture Garden in celebrating the induction of Ann Norton to the Florida Artist Hall of Fame this Saturday, April 13, 2019.

HONORING ANN WEAVER NORTON AND THE ANN NORTON SCULPTURE GARDEN

HON. ED PERLMUTTER
OF COLORADO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Nicole Martinez for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award. The Youth Award focuses on teenagers who have overcome 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. Nicole 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 Nicole is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential that 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 Nicole Martinez 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. A. DONALD MCEACHIN
OF VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. MCEACHIN. Madam Speaker, I was unavoidably detained on April 4, 2019, during roll call no. 151, on the Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 829, to designate the futility of the United States Postal Service located at 1450 Montauk Highway in Mastic, New York, as the “Army Specialist Thomas J. Wilwerth Post Office Building.” Had I been present, I would have voted “yea.” I was also unavoidably detained during roll call no. 152, on the Motion to Commit with Instructions for S.J. Res. 7, to direct the removal of the United States Armed Forces from hostilities in the Republic of Yemen that have not been authorized by Congress. Had I been present, I would have voted “no.” I was unavoidably detained during roll call no. 153, on Passage of S.J. Res. 7, to direct the removal of the United States Armed Forces from hostilities in the Republic of Yemen that have not been authorized by Congress. Had I been present, I would have voted “aye.” I was also unavoidably detained during roll call no. 154, on Agreeing to the Amendment, Torres Small of New Mexico Part B Amendment No. 40, to H.R. 1585. Had I been present, I would have voted “aye.” I was also unavoidably detained during roll call no. 155, on the Motion to Reconsider with Instructions for H.R. 1585, the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act. Had I been present, I would have voted “no.” I was also unavoidably detained during roll call no. 156, on Passage of H.R. 1585, the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act. Had I been present, I would have voted, “aye.”
HONORING THE WORLD WAR II AND KOREAN WAR VETERANS OF ILLINOIS

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the World War II and Korean War veterans who traveled to Washington, D.C. on April 10th with Honor Flight Chicago, a program that provides World War II and Korean War veterans the opportunity to visit their memorials on The National Mall in Washington, D.C. These memorials were built to honor their courage and service to their country.

The American Veteran is one of our greatest treasures. The Soldiers, Airmen, Sailors, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen who traveled here on April 10th answered our nation’s call to service during one of its greatest times of need. From the European Campaign to the Pacific Asian Theatre to the African Theater, these brave Americans risked life and limb, gave service and sacrifice much, all while embodying what it is to be a hero. We owe them more gratitude than can ever be expressed.

I welcome these brave veterans to Washington and to their memorials. I am proud to include in the RECORD the names of these men and women for all to see, hear, and recognize, and I call on my colleagues to rise and join me in expressing gratitude.


HON. KEVIN BRADY
OF TEXAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. BRADY. Madam Speaker, today I rise in recognition of the 50th Anniversary of the Associated Builders and Contractors of Greater Houston. For the last half-century, this group has contributed greatly to the construction and advancement of the Greater Houston Area and I thank them for their work in growing our community.

Founded in 1969, the Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) of Greater Houston provides leadership development and craft training for both the commercial and industrial construction industry. The Greater Houston Chapter of ABC is comprised of over 450 locally owned construction and assembly firms, representing thousands of skilled professionals in the Greater Houston Area.

The mission of ABC of Greater Houston is to defend and represent its members’ right to work, as well as protecting free enterprise within the construction industry. ABC of Greater Houston is also committed to promoting safe work environments and occupational practices, and leads the country in members active in the Safety Training Evaluation Process (STEP) program—a unique initiative started in 1989 to dramatically improve safety performance in the construction industry.

ABC of Greater Houston is committed to tackling our nation’s workforce problem through the Construction and Maintenance Education Foundation (CMEF). This exceptional foundation formulates partnerships between industrial leaders and contractors to tackle the shortage of skilled workers in the construction sector.

Today, the American economy is booming, in no small part because of leadership from outstanding organizations like ABC of Greater Houston. Through their innovative programs that enhance industry partnerships and promote free enterprise, ABC has provided opportunities for economic and educational growth among members, workers, and industry professionals.

This year marks 50 incredible years of industry advancement by ABC of Greater Houston. I am proud to join everyone in our community in celebrating their 50th Anniversary, and thanking them for the work they do for builders and contractors in the Greater Houston area, across Texas, and throughout the country. I am sure their next 50 years will be even more successful.

HON. SUSAN W. BROOKS
OF INDIANA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the Omega Chapter of Alpha Omicron Pi sorority in celebration of its 100th anniversary. As a proud past President of the chapter, who graduated in 1982, it is my high honor to congratulate the Omega Chapter at Miami University in Oxford,
Ohio in celebration of this special occasion. I, along with my sorority sisters, are forever grateful for the founders of Alpha Omicron Pi’s commitment to ensuring young women develop lifelong friendships while enhancing one another’s lives through scholarship and service.

Alpha Omicron Pi (AOII) has been an integral part of college campuses since its founding in 1897 by Stella George Stern Perry, Helen St. Clair Mullan, Elizabeth Heywood Wyman, and Jessie Wallace Hughan at Barnard College of Columbia University in New York City. The organization has seen tremendous growth since its inception as an all-female sorority, with over 191,000 initiated members from 144 collegiate chapters. Members can be identified by their ruby pins, the red rose, and the Panda mascot. Each new member receives a pin upon her initiation, known as the AOII badge, where the Greek letters, Alpha, Omicron, and Pi are superimposed upon the next in order.

Founded on the ideals of character, dignity, scholarship, and gentle loyalty, AOII helps young women cultivate values of accountability and ownership, collaboration, engagement, innovation, and open and honest communication skills. AOII’s philanthropic values are demonstrated by a dedication to raising money for and spreading awareness of arthritis. AOII’s fundamental hope in fundraising and one day contribute to finding a cure for this disease that impacts millions of Americans.

The Omega Chapter was founded on January 4, 1919 at Miami University, originating from a local sorority named Kappa Tau Sigma. Founded in scholarship, AOII became the fourth sorority on Miami’s campus. Originally holding chapter meetings in various classrooms, AOII eventually obtained a more permanent home in Hamilton Hall and later Richard Hall. Focused on the motto to “engage in service,” the sisters have recently been involved with various philanthropies across the Oxford community, to name a few, including Spring Clean Oxford, Relay for Life, Miles for Smiles 5K, Adopt-a-School, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, and the Knolls of Oxford nursing home event where Miami athletic teams and Greek chapters are paired together to complete tasks. During the philanthropy round of recruitment, sisters also decorate t-shirts for stuffed panda bears that are given to patients at the Cincinnati Children’s Hospital. From Strike Out Arthritis to the annual Red Rose Ball, the AOPiRate, the sisters of the Omega chapter have cemented a lasting presence on the Miami campus.

A testament to the character and dedication of this talented group of women, the Omega Chapter has been honored with numerous awards and accolades. They’ve been awarded the AOII International’s Jessie Wallace Hughan award in 1979 and various Miami Panhellenic awards such as the Outstanding Rush Award, Greek Week champions, and Songfest winners. Committed to character, dignity, scholarship, and loyalty the Omega Chapter was also honored with the Miami University Five Pillar Award for Excellence in Scholarship & Learning, Service & Philanthropy, Community, Leadership & Values, and Brotherhood & Sisterhood.

The sorority’s personalized approach to membership has made the Omega Chapter home to a robust alumni network with graduates developing accomplished careers in business, non-profit, academic, community leadership, and government service across the country. The sorority’s national publication, the To Dragma, keeps all current and past members connected with ongoing events and the successes of various chapters nationwide.

It is important to our nation’s future to encourage and support the development of Americans who have the skills, knowledge, and compassion to make the world a better place. The sisters of the AOII Omega Chapter have demonstrated 100 years of commitment and service to others. Their outstanding work is an inspiration to the nation. Congratulations on a century of excellence in community service and for cultivating a network of caring, loving sisters who will work to ensure Alpha Omicron Pi’s success in the next century. Love and honor to all AOII Omega sisters.

CONGRATULATING MR. AND MRS. CLIFFORD AND ANNA LEE JONES' 70TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER
OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. and Mrs. Clifford and Anna Lee Jones and congratulate them on their 70th Wedding Anniversary. This incredible milestone anniversary will be celebrated on May 25, 2019.

Clifford and Anna Lee both grew up on family farms in Wayne County, Missouri. After marrying on May 27, 1949, the young couple moved to O’Fallon in St. Charles County, MO where they raised three sons. Clifford and Anna Lee lived in Winfield upon retirement and eventually settled in Troy where they still reside today. Throughout their lives, Clifford and Anna Lee have exuded the hardworking mentality of Missouri and the Midwest. Clifford worked for Ford Motor Company and Kroger Warehouse both in Hazelwood. Anna Lee spent her working years at the plastic factory in St. Louis before joining H & K bakery located in O’Fallon—all while raising a family.

In their spare time, Clifford and Anna Lee continue to enjoy many hobbies. Clifford can often be found working on lawnmowers and cars. Anna Lee enjoys quilting and numerous crafts. In their retirement years, both Clifford and Anna Lee relish spending time with family and friends and attending functions at the Troy Senior Center. They also socialize throughout the week at Hardee’s in Troy with their friend group that is often referred to as their “breakfast club”.

Clifford and Anna Lee have been blessed with 3 sons, 7 grandchildren, 9 great grandchildren, and 1 great, great grandchild. They consider their family their proudest accomplishment, as many of us do. Madam Speaker, I ask you to join me in congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Jones on their 70th Wedding Anniversary. May they have many more happy years to come.

TRIBUTE TO PAM HALL

HON. JIM JORDAN
OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. JORDAN. Madam Speaker, I am honored to commend to the House the outstanding service of Pam Hall of Marion, Ohio, President of the Marion Area Chamber of Commerce. Pam is retiring after more than two decades in that role.

Pam first got involved with the Chamber during her 27-year career at the engineering firm Floyd Browne Associates, where she was the only woman to date to be offered a partnership. When the Chamber presidency became open, she sold her share in the company to take on this new challenge.

The Marion Chamber has remained strong under Pam’s selfless leadership and commitment to the success of the local economy. She has been instrumental in helping area businesses connect and find common ways to solve problems. The community at large has benefited from her tireless work on the Leadership Marion program, which helps local entrepreneurs and others develop leadership skills.

Pam’s work goes far beyond her service with the Chamber. She is a longtime United Way supporter, past president of Marion Noon Kiwanis, and a member of the Rotary Club of Marion. She also serves on the Marion County Foundation Board, the Marion Area Counseling Center Board, the Rushmore Academy Board, the Marion Matters Board, and many others. The Women’s Business Council of Marion honored her with its 2017 ATHENA Leadership Award.

Several years ago, Pam was diagnosed with colon cancer. While she has continued her good work with the Chamber since her diagnosis, she has decided to step down to focus on her health. Throughout her treatment, she has openly shared the details of her diagnosis and treatment regimen so that others might learn and benefit from her experiences.

Madam Speaker, the Marion Area Chamber of Commerce will celebrate Pam’s achievements at its annual barbecue on April 27. On behalf of the people of Ohio’s Fourth Congressional District, I am proud to join in the accolades to her. She has my very best wishes and my thanks for her decades of service to the people of Marion.

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF APRIL 2019 AS NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH

HON. J. LUIS CORREA
OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, since 2003, April has been recognized as “National Donate Life Month.” Every year, the month serves as an opportunity to encourage organ and tissue donor registration, recognize those individuals who continue to wait for an organ transplant, and honor living and deceased donors and their families for their gift of life.

Today on Blue & Green Day, during which the public is encouraged to wear blue and
green to promote organ donation awareness, I am proud to introduce a bipartisan resolution to recognize April 2019 as “National Donate Life Month” and support its goals and ideals. Every ten minutes, a person is added to the national transplant waiting list. As of April 2019, more than 113,000 people are awaiting an organ donation. Unfortunately, despite over 145 million people registered to be donors, the need for donated organs outweighs the supply of organs. Sadly, on average, 20 people die each day while waiting for an organ transplant. The simple truth is that organ donation and transplantation saves lives. In fact, organ donation from a single deceased donor can benefit up to eight individuals and tissue donation can benefit an additional 75 people or more. Living kidney and liver donors provide transplant candidates with the chance to live longer.

I am proud to sponsor this resolution in the U.S. House of Representatives again and recognize that organ donation is the gift of life.

SAMANTHA GAMINO
HON. ED PERLMUTTER
OF COLORADO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 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 that 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.

MR. KEN CARTER
HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN
OF VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019
Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the retirement of Mr. Ken Carter after many years of service to his country. His time as an independent contractor, government contractor, and Supervisory Contract Specialist has been invaluable, and we wish him well in his well-deserved retirement.

Mr. Ken Carter is a retired enlisted airman, retiring as Senior Master Sergeant after 23 years of service. With more than 38 years of experience in contracting, his experience includes major construction, commodities, services, R&D, and Systems Engineering. In terms of higher education, Mr. Carter holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Organizational Management Development from Bluefield College and an Associate Degree in Contract Management from the Community College of the Air Force. Mr. Carter also holds an Unlimited Contracting Officer Warrant with the VA and a Level III Contracting Professional Certification. Currently serving as a Supervisory Contract Specialist with the VA, he is responsible for the supervision of 5 subordinate employees. Prior to assuming this position, Mr. Carter provided services as a Procurement Coordinator within the Strategic Acquisitions Center ARRC Directorate. His previous assignments include a five-year tour with the Federal Aviation Administration where he completed the largest single major contract in the history of the Agency. Beyond his illustrous career, Mr. Carter enjoys fishing, doing yard work, camping in the Shenandoah Valley, and attending football games at James Madison University where his grandson is a member of the JMU Marching Royal Dukes band. Residing in Spotsylvania County with his wife Ronna Carter, it is easy to see that Mr. Carter has led a wonderful, purpose filled life.

Madam Speaker, I ask you to join me in recognizing the bounty of Mr. Ken Carter’s accomplishments as he embarks on retirement. To that end, we hope that he enjoys the extra time he has with his family, his football games, as well as with his fishing poles.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF CHARLES EUGENE GEE
HON. BRIAN BABIN
OF TEXAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019
Mr. BABIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to remember the life of Charles Eugene Gee of Jasper, Texas, who recently lost his four-year battle with cancer. Mr. Gee passed away at his home surrounded by loved ones on April 3, 2019.

Charles Eugene Gee, more affectionately known as Charlie, was born on October 10, 1942 in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. His family eventually moved to Jasper, Texas, where he graduated from Jasper High School in 1960 and married his high school sweetheart, Sue Hollis Gee, in July of 1962.

In 1966, Charlie graduated from Stephen F. Austin State University with a Bachelor’s degree in Agriculture and Forestry. He began working as a new-hire for Kirby Lumber Co. and eventually became the logging superintendent. After 18 years with Kirby, Charlie decided to start his own logging business, Charlie Gee Logging Inc. Over the years, he worked many long hours as the dedicated and successful owner of his logging company, as well as several other local businesses. In fact, Charlie later became the State Coordinator for the Texas Logging Counsel, a position in which he served proudly to improve conditions for future generations of loggers.

After his retirement from the logging business, Charlie became a dedicated member of the Jasper Volunteer Fire Department. During his time at the department, he served as an original member of the Board of Trustees for the Texas Fire Museum, president of the East Texas Firemen and Fire Marshall’s Association, a member on the committee for the Retirement and Pension Fund for Jasper’s firemen, and even as the Fire Chief. He also became an instructor for the Texas A&M Fire School in College Station, where he eagerly shared his years of fire-fighting knowledge and experience with younger generations. His devotion and service will live on through the various fire departments in Jasper County and surrounding areas that were established on his instruction.

Charlie is survived by his bride of nearly 57 years, Sue Hollis Gee; his daughters Sarah Smith and husband Sam; Laura McMillon and husband Mitch; Rebecca Soisson and husband Scott; Jennifer Cline and husband Billy; and brother Bill Gee and wife Sue. Charlie is also survived by his grandchildren: Matthew and wife Halsea; Ashleigh, Charlie, John, Henry, Jacob, Emily, Michael, Brian, Brandon, and Grant, as well as four great-grandchildren.

Madam Speaker, it is my honor to remember the life of Charles Eugene Gee. May God comfort his family during this time.

CONGRATULATING JOHN REID FROM JOHN DEERE FOR HIS ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF ENGINEERING
HON. CHERI BUSTOS
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019
Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize John Reid for his election into the National Academy of Engineering through his company, John Deere. Election to the Academy is among the highest professional distinctions accorded to an engineer, and Dr. Reid was elected for innovation in automation technologies for agricultural systems.

Membership in the National Academy of Engineering honors those who have made outstanding contributions to engineering, including significant contributions to the engineering literature and to the pioneering of new and developing fields of technology, advancements in traditional fields of engineering, or innovative approaches to engineering education. John Reid graduated from Virginia Tech with a bachelor’s and master’s degree in agricultural engineering. He obtained his Ph.D. from Texas A&M in 1987. Dr. Reid is currently the Director of Product Technology & Innovation at John Deere, and is also a full professor at the University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign. Dr. Reid has created several patents with the U.S. Patent Office in the years he has worked at John Deere. He is also on the board of several organizations in the Moline area.

It is because of dedicated leaders such as John Reid that I am especially proud to serve Illinois’ 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate John Reid for his acceptance into the National Academy of Engineering.
RECOGNIZING THE NOMINEES FOR THE 2018–2019 PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY
OF VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the nominees for the 2018–2019 Prince William County Public Schools Teacher of the Year Award. Teachers who meet the criteria for the award are those who instill in students a desire to learn and achieve, understand the individual needs of students, demonstrate a thorough knowledge of subject matter, and have the ability to share it effectively. The selected winner will be named the Prince William County Teacher of the Year.

As the second largest school division in the Commonwealth of Virginia, Prince William County Public Schools educates 90,000 students in ninety-eight schools. The impact of these teachers is apparent as PWCS is ranked the highest in the entire state with their on-tune graduation rate.

Each Teacher of the Year Award nominee exhibits excellence in teaching by serving as an effective leader in and out of the classroom, fostering strong rapport with parents and peers and providing a safe and inclusive environment for all students to learn and develop.

I extend my personal congratulations to the following nominees for the 2018–2019 Prince William County Teacher of the Year Award: Simon Bhagwandeen, Potomac High School; Leslie Browngold, Gravelly Elementary School; Marianne Burns, Patriot High School; Garrett Carlson, Colgan High School; Pamela Clute, Potomac High School; Jennifer Diehl, Buckland Mills Elementary School; Gail Drake, Battlefield High School; Gail Drake, Battlefield High School; Julie Faith, Stonewall Jackson High School; Lauren Fener, Swans Creek Elementary School.

Amanda Grant, Ashland Elementary School; Amy Hardt, Buckland Mills Elementary School; Elizabeth Hoffmann, The Nokesville School; Carl Hood, Alvey Elementary School; Kristen Keskel, Ashland Elementary School; Jennifer Kimble, Graham Park Middle School; Kathy Lamont, Antietam Elementary School; Pamela Lansberry, King Elementary School; Christy Lazer, Bull Run Middle School; Elizabeth McKeown, Pennington Traditional School; Ashley Meyer, T. Clay Wood Elementary School.

Melissa Morgan, Chris Yung Elementary School; Jeanie Noel, Freedom High School; Norman Pattarozzi, Osbourn Park High School; Emily Ramirez, Brentsville District High School; Rebecca Schelling, Antietam Elementary School; Brian Shepard, Battlefield High School; David Shuler, Battlefield High School; John Spaulding, Independence Non-traditional School; Jennifer Tallman, Lake Ridge Middle School; Crystal Watt, Ashland Elementary School.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in commending the nominees for the Prince William County Public Schools 2018–2019 Teacher of the Year Award and in thanking them for their dedication to our children. Their continued service will ensure that Prince William County Public Schools students continue to receive a world-class education in a vibrant learning environment.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF RICHARD SPROULE

HON. JACK BERGMAN
OF MICHIGAN
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. BERGMAN. Madam Speaker, it is my honor to recognize the life and service of Richard Sproule. As a proud Veteran of the United States Marine Corps, Richard has proven himself to be an indispensable part of Michigan’s First District.

The Continental Marines were formed by decree of the Second Continental Congress on November 10, 1775. Since the Revolutionary War, Marines served with the American Expeditionary Force on the Western Front of WWI, island hopped in the Pacific, landed on the beaches of North Korea, fought to protect the Republic of Vietnam, and defended Americans from the threat of global terrorism. Rick served a crucial role during his service in the Marines, maintaining jet engines and ensuring the safety and fighting capacity of our Airmen. His unwavering devotion to duty perfectly exemplifies the spirit of the U.S. Marine Corps. We owe Rick and his brothers in arms an enormous debt of gratitude. He has served our nation willingly, honorably, and without bias.

Madam Speaker, it’s my honor today to acknowledge the extraordinary life of Richard Sproule. I ask that you join with me and the people of Michigan’s First District in thanking him for his unwavering commitment to our nation and its people.
Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action
The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 3 p.m., on Monday, April 15, 2019.

Committee Meetings
No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action
Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 30 public bills, H.R. 2292–2321; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 34; and H. Res. 315–320 were introduced.

Additional Cosponsors: Pages H3263–65

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:
Committee on Oversight and Reform. Authorization and Oversight Plans for all House Committees (H. Rept. 116–40). Page H3263

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

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H3261.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2:30 p.m. and adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

Committee Meetings
No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings
No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2019
(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate
No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House
No hearings are scheduled.
Next Meeting of the SENATE
3 p.m., Monday, April 15

Program for Monday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
4:30 p.m., Monday, April 15

Program for Monday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 4:30 p.m.

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