

model for all police officers and citizens who strive to make a positive contribution to their community.

Chief Beggs leaves large shoes to fill and the impact that he has had on his community will not soon be forgotten. There is no doubt that Chief Beggs will be missed by the officers he worked with and by the community to which he dedicated his career. As Chief Beggs steps down to pursue other interests, I have no doubt he will continue to serve as a leader for Clintonville and the surrounding area.

Madam Speaker, I urge all members of this body to join me in commending Chief Beggs for his 44 years of service with the Clintonville Police Department.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE LABOR-MANAGEMENT COUNCIL OF GREATER KANSAS CITY

**HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2019*

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the Labor-Management Council (LMC) of Greater Kansas City's fortieth year serving the Greater Kansas City Area. Since the LMC was founded in 1979, they have grown to include membership from eighty organizations, including corporations, unions, governments, and nonprofits within the local area.

In 1979, members of the Kansas City business community who all cared deeply about the labor and management process came together to form the Labor-Management Council of Greater Kansas City. During the ensuing years, Bob Jacobi Jr. provided steadfast and enthusiastic service as Executive Director of the LMC through his leadership and his passion for public service. It has been my honor and pleasure to partner with the LMC on various occasions as they sought to create an open and equal collaboration between local government and organizations of all sizes in our city.

As a trailblazer in the Greater Kansas City area since their founding, the Labor-Management Council (LMC) has focused on providing the tools for employees to successfully negotiate with their employers for better benefits. The LMC developed the statutory framework of collective bargaining where employees could advocate for things like better healthcare and reduction of employment uncertainty. The LMC supported legislative proposals to provide relief via safety net hospitals for workers and Medicaid coverage for the newly unemployed and the uninsured. They continue to advocate for a system where every citizen can have their voice heard, and inclusion in the workplace becomes a reality. As a friend and collaborator with the LMC, I am inspired by the work they accomplished in the forty years since their genesis. My collaboration with the LMC has been one of the more rewarding aspects of my career, and I am honored to have served alongside this remarkable organization.

Throughout the years, the Labor-Management Council of Greater Kansas City has operated upon the pillars of their values and their dedication to a larger social responsibility. Refining the concept of collective bargaining,

they used this tool of broad consensus to fight for equity and inclusivity in the larger economic and social issues present within our community. Together with their numerous partner organizations, the LMC provides a forum for community leaders and employees to work together on civic and economic issues. Examples of their noteworthy contributions to the community include their active support for accessible healthcare coverage, better public infrastructure, and broader citywide public transportation.

Madam Speaker, please join with Missouri's Fifth Congressional District in honoring the Labor-Management Council of Greater Kansas City for their achievement of forty years of service in the community and their indelible mark on our society. I urge all my colleagues and fellow citizens across the country to join me in showing our appreciation to Labor-Management of Greater Kansas City for their undeterred commitment to civic service and worker advocacy in our region.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF MAUDE FORD LEE

**HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2019*

Mr. HASTINGS. Madam Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to honor my dear friend, Maude Ford Lee. Maude was a long-time civil rights activist and truly one of a kind. A native of Tallahassee, Maude spent her life advocating for equality. She participated in a bus boycott in her hometown in the 1950s. That action led Tallahassee to desegregate its public transit. She moved to West Palm Beach in the 1960s and spent decades working as a manager of county social programs. Among her many accomplishments, she was the first black candidate elected to the Palm Beach County Commission, where she served for ten years. Her husband, the late Percy Lee, ran the Urban League of Palm Beach County.

Maude lobbied for the creation of commission districts as the only way for a black candidate to win a seat in a mostly white county. Through her efforts, single-member districts were created, expanding opportunities for African Americans to run and win in those districts.

After stepping away from politics, Maude became president of the West Palm Beach chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). In that role, she continued her advocacy for the needs of the African American community, working to address inequities locally and nationwide. She reveled in another first, the 2008 election of Barack Obama as president. "This is our greatest accomplishment," she told the Palm Beach Post at the time.

Madam Speaker, if there was such a thing as a community servant, than Maude Ford Lee was it. She will always be remembered for her tireless efforts to bring resources to Florida and the African American community. Her legacy of public service speaks for itself, and she will be dearly missed by all who knew her. I offer my deepest condolences to Maude's family, during this extremely difficult time.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MRS. CHEN LING KOU

**HON. TED LIEU**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2019*

Mr. TED LIEU of California. Madam Speaker, I rise to celebrate the life of Chen Ling Kou, a devoted wife, mother, and dedicated community member who passed away after battling cancer on April 6, 2019, at the age of 55.

Chen Ling was born to En Kai Chang and Shu Chuan Yang Chang on November 5, 1963 in Cheongju-si, South Korea, the fifth of six children. Chen Ling was a brilliant student and a member of an elite study group in Seoul, South Korea, before immigrating to Los Angeles, California, with her family in 1982.

She would go on to attend California State University, Fullerton and would later marry Mr. Ming Shin Kou on February 8, 1987 in Anaheim, California. Approximately 1,200 people attended the wedding.

Chen Ling was an active member of the community of Palos Verdes Estates in my congressional district, devoting her time to various charitable causes but she was most proud of her three children and all their accomplishments. Dow Li was the first student in the history of Marymount High School to win the state of California Mock Trial competition and went on to graduate from the University of California, Berkeley.

Dow Yi obtained degrees from the University of California, Berkeley and the National Taiwan University, and went on to work for Fox Entertainment. Dow Ken recently graduated from the Brentwood School, and has been accepted to the University of Southern California. A fighter throughout her life, Chen Ling bravely fought her battle with cancer for four years, accepting experimental cancer treatment in the hopes that it would help others suffering from cancer.

Chen Ling is survived by her husband and their three children. She was truly a beautiful person inside and out. She will forever be remembered for her selflessness, incredible bravery, and meaningful impact on her community.

JOHN HIATT

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2019*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud John Hiatt for earning the Technical Achievement Award for his development of a creative and unique mobile application (app) in the 2019 Congressional App Challenge. As a returning participant in the competition, John built an app titled "Assembly Plus" to assist with programming language that adds readability to raw assembly.

A senior at Northglenn High School, John spent countless hours and used numerous tools to learn about coding, further advancing his STEM education. He built this app in less than three months which shows his perseverance and dedication to this challenge and exemplifies the character and determination the