

As the third-largest county park system in the United States, Miami-Dade Parks is a staple of our community. Founded in 1929 and now covering 270 parks and over 13 thousand acres of land, Miami-Dade Parks has spent 90 years providing all of South Florida with opportunities to explore our natural heritage and enjoy the outdoors. In addition to leading environmental restoration efforts and cultural programs, Miami-Dade Parks offers summer camps and fitness programs for children, adults, seniors, and people with disabilities.

Miami-Dade Parks brings our community together by helping all of us enjoy the beauty of South Florida's natural wonders together. We are better friends to the environment and to each other thanks to the incredible work of this department. I hope my fellow Miami-Dade residents join me in celebrating Miami-Dade Parks by renewing our dedication to protecting our shared natural spaces.

IN RECOGNITION OF REGINA STANBACK STROUD

**HON. JACKIE SPEIER**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 29, 2019*

Ms. SPEIER. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor Dr. Regina Stanback Stroud as she retires from her position as President of Skyline College and from the San Mateo County Community College District. She has made extraordinary contributions to education throughout her entire career.

Dr. Stanback Stroud holds a Doctorate in Educational Leadership from Mills College in Oakland, a Bachelor's in Nursing Sciences from Howard University, a Master's in Human Relations from Golden Gate University and a Master's in Educational Leadership from Mills College. There can be little doubt that, as a role model, young women, especially women of color, may look to Dr. Stanback Stroud and see themselves following in her footsteps.

When President Obama needed an advisor on college costs and affordability, he recruited Dr. Stanback Stroud to serve on his advisory committee. She's been a visiting professor at Mills College and served as an adjunct professor in the San Francisco State University Educational Leadership Doctoral Program. She is the publisher of works on women of color in leadership, workforce and economic development, and antipoverty programs in community colleges. For all these accomplishments and more, Dr. Stanback Stroud is rightly recognized throughout the nation as an educational leader and a person who has worked effectively to increase the diversity of education and science.

Under Dr. Stanback Stroud's leadership, Skyline College made dozens of innovative changes. The Skyline Promise Program makes community college affordable to residents by offering fee waivers, support with transportation, food and books. Skyline's Equity Institute administers institutional assessments, publishes research and instructs its professionals in how to be inclusive and inquisitive. Skyline is one of 15 community colleges in California that offers a bachelor's degree program. Students may earn a Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Care. Its MIT inspired fabrication laboratory is part of a global

network offering entrepreneurs the opportunity to test new devices without having to pay the enormous fees of a conventional fabrication laboratory. Under her leadership, Dr. Stanback Stroud launched a STEM Center which will be the hub for students who identify goals in technical careers such as biology, biochemistry, biotechnology, chemistry, computer science, engineering, health and related fields.

San Mateo County's economy has changed enormously in the last 40 years. It shifted from a mixture of agriculture and tourism to high technology in software, pharmaceuticals and finance. International trade now dominates our local economy. Dr. Stanback Stroud recognizes the importance of international students in maintaining our county's economic advantage. Skyline College has a Global Learning Program and Services Division that is dedicated to expanding international awareness and study abroad opportunities for the college and community, complete with a passport processing office that serves thousands of community members annually. She has established a Dream Center that helps undocumented immigrant students by training these students in leadership skills and by advocating for access and equity within higher education.

America is stronger when everyone is pulling together. Through her devotion to opportunity and to diversity, to students as young as 16, to incorporating international students at Skyline, Dr. Regina Stanback Stroud built a solid foundation for the future prosperity of her students and our community. Skyline College is an exciting and adventurous community college because it reflects its leadership. I salute Dr. Regina Stanback Stroud as she retires. She will be remembered as a force of nature at Skyline College because she dared to dream big and she delivered.

IN HONOR OF THE DR. THOMAS SPICER WINNING THE 2019 WYOMING JEFFERSON AWARD

**HON. LIZ CHENEY**

OF WYOMING

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 29, 2019*

Ms. CHENEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Dr. Thomas Spicer on winning the 2019 Wyoming Jefferson Award.

Dr. Spicer has shown sustained commitment to his community for much of his life. Serving as a medical doctor in the greater Rock Springs area, Dr. Spicer has dedicated himself to making a difference in Wyoming. I'd like to thank Dr. Spicer for his service to our state that goes far beyond the medical field and has included serving on economic advisory boards to the governor and has culminated in his current position as a Trustee at Western Wyoming Community College.

Again, Madam Speaker, I extend my congratulations to Dr. Thomas Spicer on winning the 2019 Wyoming Jefferson Award and I thank him for his dedication to our community and Wyoming.

CONGRATULATING RICHARD SEIDLER ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM UNITYPOINT HEALTH-TRINITY

**HON. CHERI BUSTOS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 29, 2019*

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Richard Seidler for his retirement from UnityPoint Health-Trinity as president and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Seidler has 37 years of leadership experience within the health care industry.

Mr. Seidler received his MBA and BBA from the University of Miami in Florida, and is Board Certified in Health Care Management. He is a Fellow in the American College of Health Care Administrators and received the Distinguished Service Award in 2011. Mr. Seidler's professional experience ranges from Assistant Administrator, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Executive Officer when he was in California. His vision and expertise have driven the success of facility mergers, managed care organizations, primary care group acquisitions, market share and referral increases, new partnerships with insurers and the development of comprehensive outpatient campuses and cardiovascular centers. Mr. Seidler came to Trinity and the Quad-Cities in 2010 following twelve years leading Allen Health System in Waterloo, Iowa. He also serves on several boards and has shown a continued dedication to the Quad-Cities community.

It is because of dedicated leaders such as Mr. Seidler that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate Mr. Seidler on his retirement and thank him for his service to the community.

HONORING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF MR. MAX STEIN

**HON. JOE NEGUSE**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 29, 2019*

Mr. NEGUSE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the numerous accomplishments of Mr. Max Stein.

As a World War II Navy Veteran and long-time Professor of Mathematics at Colorado State University in my district, Mr. Stein knows the meaning of hard work better than most. Throughout his career, he worked tirelessly to ensure that any students he came in contact with understood the concepts they needed to succeed. This was true whether he was teaching World War II pilots how to use their radar technology or instructing doctoral candidates on how to defend their theses.

Mr. Stein has not only been a long-time role model for his discipline, but for quality of character as well. As a husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, he ensures that those around him understand how much he treasured them. This devotion has also been extended to the sports teams he tirelessly cheers, powering through with them in the good seasons and the bad. In addition to all of this, Mr. Stein's love for laughter has made