

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN MEMORY OF HAMPTON  
CAUGHMAN

**HON. JOE WILSON**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, Lexington County and South Carolina were blessed with the Caughman Twins, Hampton and Raymond, as extraordinary civic leaders. Sadly, Raymond passed away March 28th and now Hamp passed away June 1st. Below is the loving obituary of June 3rd from The State newspaper.

HAMPTON CAUGHMAN (1927–2019)

Hampton Sox Caughman—Lexington. Funeral services for Hampton Sox Caughman, 92, of Lexington, SC will be held at 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at Saint David Lutheran Church with interment to follow in the church cemetery. The family will receive friends on Monday, June 3, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Caughman Harman Funeral Home, Lexington Chapel. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. David Lutheran Church Building Fund, 132 St. David's Church Rd., West Columbia, SC 29170 or to "Take One Make One" c/o SCDNR, P.O. Box 167, Columbia SC 29202 with funds designated to Thomas Caughman Memorial. Hampton passed away on Saturday, June 1, 2019. He was born on January 10, 1927 to the late Willie Morgan and Mary Catherine Sox Caughman. In addition to his parents, Hampton was also preceded in death by his wife of 64 years, Betty Dye Caughman, sisters Evelyn Segelken, Zela Boozer, Sue Shull, Henry Etta Frye, Virginia Shull and brothers Henry Morgan Caughman, Elford Caughman, Raymond Caughman and Kenneth Caughman. He was also predeceased by his beloved grandson, Army Specialist Thomas Day Caughman. Hampton is survived by his son Hampton S. Caughman Jr. and his wife Jane Day Caughman and their daughter Lisa Caughman. He is also survived by his daughter Carol Caughman and her son Connor Caughman Hild. Hampton was a WWII Army Veteran who served in China from 1945–1946. In 1949 he began a 32 year career in the retail grocery business as a partner in Frye & Caughman Grocery in West Columbia. He opened the first supermarket in Lexington in 1964, Hamp's Red and White. Hampton was one of the organizers of the Food Retailer Association of South Carolina, serving as its President from 1958–1959 and was, South Carolina's Grocer of the Year in 1974. In 1961, Governor Fritz Hollings appointed Hampton to the South Carolina Dairy Commission and in 1975 when he tried to resign, the Governor appointed him Chairman and he served in that capacity until 1981. Hampton was one of the organizers of the Lexington Rotary Club, served as its first President, was Rotarian of the Year in 1971, and named as a Paul Harris Fellow in 1990. He served as the Chairman of the Rotary Club Horse Show for 30 years and was recently honored for his 50 years of service to that club. He and his twin brother Raymond's hobby was tiding and showing Tennessee Walking Horses. Every morning at 5:00 a.m., they would get up to ride, feed and

water their horses. Hampton was a member of and President of both the South Carolina Walking Horse Association and the South Carolina Horse Show Association, and was named Horseman of the Year in 1977. Upon closing Hamp's Red & White, he and his wife Betty opened Caughman's Catering and were well known for their country style steak and gravy and delicious banana pudding. Later Hampton earned his real estate agent license and worked with McGee Realtors until he retired in 2012. Hampton was very active in the Boy Scouts of America and was given the Silver Beaver Award for Distinguished Service to Boyhood in 1974. Hampton was twice awarded the "Key to the City" by the Town of Lexington and "The Order of the Silver Crescent" by Governor Nikki Haley in 2015. Hampton was a very active member of St. David Lutheran Church for 92 years. He was Chairman of the Property Committee for 60 years, sang in the choir and was very active with the St. David Lutheran Men. Hampton was a very loving, caring husband, grandfather, father, brother and friend who will be remembered for always putting the concern of others before him. He will be greatly missed by many people.

HONORING CYNTHIA MILLER

**HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. ENGEL. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I recognize a dear friend and former long-time member of my staff, Ms. Cynthia Miller. Every Member of Congress knows they are only as good as the staff that surround them. I was very fortunate to have Cynthia standing with me for many years.

Cynthia was born in Harlem, New York but was raised in the Bronx. She attended schools in the Bronx and graduated from Theodore Roosevelt High School in 1971.

Cynthia's first job came in that same year, 1971, with Metropolitan Life, where she worked for 14 years. In 1973 she married Keith Miller and moved to Mount Vernon, New York. She then moved to Yonkers in 1981 to raise her three children, and she has been living there for the last 38 years.

I first got to know Cynthia some 24 years ago. She had been volunteering with Mary Gaines at the Nepperhan Community Center, dealing with children in the after-school program. With Mary's influence, I hired Cynthia as an Assistant Aide to help lead my team in Westchester.

Cynthia's work mainly focused on helping constituents with federal issues and problems. And help she did. Thousands of people over the course of two and a half decades were aided by Cynthia Miller, with problems ranging from immigration to Social Security and everything in between. In addition to her work in my office, Cynthia was also an active member in several community groups, including the Black Women's Political Caucus, Aquehung Women's Democratic Club and the Focus Group.

After recently retiring, Cynthia is now enjoying her volunteer work more than ever and loves traveling. This year, the Hudson River Community Association is honoring Cynthia at their annual Spring Dinner. Perhaps I'm a bit partial, but I don't believe they could have found a better honoree. Congratulations to Cynthia, and I thank her for her years of service to the community.

IN HONOR OF RETIRING SAN  
FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY  
PRESIDENT LES WONG

**HON. JACKIE SPEIER**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Ms. SPEIER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Dr. Leslie Wong, the retiring President of San Francisco State University. Dr. Wong leaves San Francisco State after seven fruitful years, and it is a stronger, bolder university due to his leadership.

Dr. Wong's calm and effective manner, his warm smile and enthusiasm won me over the first time I met him. We compared notes about the Upper Peninsula where he had just moved from as the President of the Northern Michigan University. Mind you, NMU is in Marquette, a town of 35,000 mostly white people. His new home, SFSU, is in San Francisco, one of the most diverse cities of 880,000 people. He immediately adapted and became part of the fabric of the school and community.

San Francisco State is an urban jewel located in my Congressional District. Its graduates fill the ranks of the state's leadership circles, and its 130+ academic areas, 27 credential programs, multiple certificate, master's degree and doctoral degree programs fuel the regional economy. It is also the home of a multi-cultural student body from around the globe. If you go to San Francisco State, you will receive a world-class education simply by listening to debates in the public areas of the campus or attending one of the many political, cultural and civic affairs programs held annually.

It was into this mix of diversity and activism that Dr. Wong walked when he assumed leadership of San Francisco State in 2012 as its 13th President. He came from Northern Michigan University, where he also served as President from 2004 to 2012. Earlier, he held a variety of leadership posts at universities in North Dakota, Colorado, and Washington State.

He was successful in raising scholarship funds, renovating the San Francisco State gym, and building the Mashouf Wellness Center. At present, the university is also building the new Liberal and Creative Arts Building, the first new academic building on campus in a generation. Dr. Wong was instrumental in bringing the Holloway Mixed-Use Project to fruition to provide for more student housing and to provide for street-level businesses.

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During his tenure, the six year graduation rates for black and Latino students increased.

Also during his leadership, San Francisco State was designated a Hispanic Serving Institution and is recognized as an Asian American, Native American, and Pacific Islander Serving Institution. It is a little-known fact that the school's faculty and students regularly discover new planets. This is the kind of inquiry that Les Wong inspires throughout the university.

No university worth the title, however, is forever without controversy. In the rich tradition of San Francisco State, Dr. Wong listened to faculty, students and to other stakeholders. His thoughtful dialogues assured the San Francisco State community that the beliefs of all would be listened to and addressed, if possible.

Dr. Wong serves on multiple academic association boards, including the Board of Directors of the Association of American Colleges and Universities, the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, the Bay Area Council and the National Collegiate Athletics Association Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity. He's received numerous national and community awards including the 2014 Asian Pacific Americans in Higher Education President's award for Leadership and Contributions in Higher Education.

With his wife, Phyllis, Dr. Wong has three sons and eight grandchildren. He now will step down after 46 years in academia and become grandpa, perhaps his most challenging position yet.

Madam Speaker, San Francisco State was first established in 1899. Since its founding as a school to educate future public school teachers, the university has branched out into science, engineering, business, and the liberal arts and humanities, in addition to education. Each year, it currently graduates 8,000 students, a number so large that, when coupled with parents, friends and other loved ones, necessitates a graduation ceremony in the park where the San Francisco Giants play ball.

For those of us who know and love the university, it comes as no surprise that its departing President came to this university as the final stop along his professional career. When the M Ocean View next stops at Holloway and 19th Avenue, its passengers will eagerly disembark in order to enter the hallways of a fine university made stronger by the leadership of this man.

Thus, we celebrate the irony: One man's final professional stop on a life's journey is the next generation's early stop in pursuit of professional and personal dreams. In his departure, let us salute Leslie E. Wong, PhD. He has been a faithful steward of the phenomenal dream machine known as San Francisco State University. Ultimately, it fulfilled his dreams and those of its students. He is a fortunate man, and we wish him well in the years ahead.

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RECOGNIZING CATHY HUGHES

**HON. JAMIE RASKIN**

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. RASKIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Cathy Hughes, who was recently

inducted into the National Association of Broadcasters Hall of Fame, making her the first African American woman to receive that honor. Cathy's world-famous business, Radio One (now Urban One), is headquartered in my district, in Silver Spring, Maryland, and I am very proud of her and the more than 1,000 people employed there by Urban One.

Cathy began her radio career at KOWH-AM in her hometown of Omaha, Nebraska. In 1971, she became a lecturer at the newly established School of Communications at Howard University, and served as general sales manager at WHUR, Howard University Radio.

She also became the first female Vice President and General Manager of a station in the Nation's Capital and pioneered the format known as the "Quiet Storm," which aired on more than 480 stations nationwide. In 1980, Cathy purchased her flagship station WOL-AM, in Washington, D.C., and pioneered yet another innovative format—"24-Hour Talk from a Black Perspective." With the theme, "Information is Power," she served as the station's morning show host for 11 years.

In 1999, Cathy became the first African-American woman to chair a publicly-held corporation. Along with her son and business partner, she grew what was then Radio One into a multi-media company that became an urban radio market leader with more than 60 stations across the country. It became the first African-American company in radio history to dominate several major markets simultaneously, and Cathy became the first woman to own a radio station that was ranked number one in a major market.

I commend Cathy Hughes for her pioneering contributions over the course of her career and congratulate her on her induction into the National Association of Broadcasters' Broadcasting Hall of Fame.

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HONORING GREG MOORE

**HON. JARED HUFFMAN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. HUFFMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today, along with Speaker NANCY PELOSI and Representative JACKIE SPEIER, to recognize Greg Moore, an extraordinary park advocate and community leader who has served as President and CEO of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy (GGNPC) for over three decades.

A native of San Francisco, Greg graduated from the University of California, Berkeley, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Conservation of Natural Resources, and he later earned a mid-career fellowship in Environmental Planning from the University of Washington. Greg spent his early career in a variety of planning and management roles with the National Parks Service and other conservation-focused public agencies before becoming the chief operating officer of GGNPC in 1985.

A non-profit membership organization, GGNPC was founded in 1981 to help preserve the now 37 distinct park sites and 80,000 acres that comprise Golden Gate National Parks and to ensure universal access to them. Over the course of Greg's 34-year tenure, GGNPC has become one of the most successful organizations of its kind, having re-

cruited and managed over 250,000 volunteers, restored over 130 miles of trails, preserved 700 historic structures, developed innovative stewardship and education programs, and provided over half a billion dollars in contributions for park programs and projects.

A large part of this success is due to Greg's ability to build relationships within and outside the parks' community. These relationships have led to numerous cross-sector collaborations, community-led stewardship programs, and successful philanthropic campaigns that fostered greater access and support for the Golden Gate National Parks. The post-to-park conversion of Fort Baker, the Presidio of San Francisco, and Crissy Field are all examples of this. Greg played a catalytic role in these locations, transforming decommissioned military facilities into iconic destinations of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

Madam Speaker, Greg Moore's leadership has been integral in preserving a collection of parks that are unparalleled in the National Park System. With a combined volume of yearly visitors that outstrips Yosemite, Yellowstone, Grand Canyon, and Olympic National Parks put together, Golden Gate National Recreation Area has continued to thrive in part because of the program support and culture of stewardship that has been fostered under Greg's leadership. Therefore, please join us in honoring Greg Moore as he steps away from his leadership role and in wishing him success on his future endeavors.

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RETIREMENT RECOGNITION FOR  
ROBERT A. ALTENKIRCH

**HON. MO BROOKS**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. BROOKS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Robert A. Altenkirch of Huntsville, Alabama upon his retirement as President of the University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH). I join Dr. Altenkirch's family, friends, and the UAH community in congratulating him on his exemplary career in academia.

As so many of his students and colleagues can attest, Dr. Altenkirch has had an extraordinary career full of accomplishments. Dr. Altenkirch earned a B.S. from Purdue University, an M.S. from the University of California, Berkeley, and a Ph.D. from Purdue, all in mechanical engineering.

Dr. Altenkirch served as a faculty member and department chair for the Department of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Kentucky from 1975 to 1988. He was then appointed Dean of the College of Engineering at Mississippi State University and served in that position from 1988 to 1995. From 1995 to 1998, Dr. Altenkirch served as Dean of the College of Engineering and Architecture at Washington State University. From 1998 to 2002, Dr. Altenkirch served as Vice President for research at Mississippi State University. After that, he served as President of New Jersey Institute of Technology for nine years. In 2009, he was recognized as one of the hundred and one most influential people in the state of New Jersey.

Dr. Altenkirch was named UAH President on September 2011. Dr. Altenkirch was chosen

for his world-class experience in aerospace research and his reputation as a student-focused president. During his tenure, Dr. Altenkirch initiated the formation of UAH's Department of Space Science in 2013, the Honors College in 2014, and the College of Education in 2014. He also expanded the campus, built new dorms, and brought new sports programs to the school such as Lacrosse in 2016. Dr. Altenkirch's passion for learning, his love for his students, and his desire for excellence have left a lasting impact on UAH.

In closing, I would like to thank Dr. Altenkirch for his many years of service at UAH. And, I sincerely wish Dr. Altenkirch continued good health and contentment in his retirement.

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HONORING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF  
CHANCELLOR RAÚL RODRÍGUEZ

**HON. J. LUIS CORREA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, today I wish to honor the achievements of Chancellor Raúl Rodríguez and his well-deserved retirement. Through his dedication and passion, his influence has spread through our communities.

Chancellor Raúl Rodríguez has dedicated the last nine years of his career to the Rancho Santiago Community College District. The district covers one quarter of the land area in Orange County. There, Mr. Rodríguez oversees and inspires more than 80,000 students and 4,000 employees.

Chancellor Raúl Rodríguez began his educational career with a Bachelor of the Arts degree in Liberal Studies from Bowling Green University in Ohio and a master's degree in School and Applied Psychology from Fairfield University. He then received his Ph.D. in Psychology from the University of California, Santa Cruz. He has spent the last 24 years as a community college CEO, various administrative positions throughout the state, and most recently as Chancellor.

Currently, Chancellor Raúl Rodríguez serves as the Immediate Past Chair of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges and the Regional Accreditor for community and technical colleges. Chancellor Rodríguez has served as Team Member or Chair on various visits to ACCJC colleges as well as the Chair and Vice-Chair of ACCJC. He is an active member of the League of United Latin American Citizens, Rotary Club of Orange, and the Boys and Girls Club of Santa Ana.

Today we celebrate not only his decades-long successful career but his future. I applaud Chancellor Raúl Rodríguez's passion and contributions to serve the community and ask my colleagues to join me in honoring and recognizing Chancellor Raúl Rodríguez.

COMMENDING MR. ELVIN COSBY'S  
73 YEARS OF SERVICE TO  
HENRICO COUNTY, VIRGINIA

**HON. ABIGAIL DAVIS SPANBERGER**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Ms. SPANBERGER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Elvin Cosby on his retirement from Henrico County Government after 73 years of service.

Mr. Cosby began serving the Henrico Department of Public Works in April of 1946. He began his career in public service carrying water to county work crews and has also served as a truck driver, equipment operator, and county foreman. Most recently, Mr. Cosby acted as a maintenance supervisor and cleared debris from Henrico's roads.

Mr. Cosby has diligently served the public through each and every one of his functions within Henrico County Government. In addition to his tireless work ethic, members of the community have also praised Mr. Cosby for promoting diversity and symbolizing selflessness. As a fellow public servant, I am humbled and moved by his dedication to serve Virginia's 7th District.

Although I know he will be dearly missed by mentees, colleagues, and friends at the Department of Public Works, I hope Mr. Cosby will enjoy getting to spend more time with his wife and grandchildren. After seven decades of working on others' behalves, I cannot think of many more deserving of a blissful and relaxing retirement.

Madam Speaker, please join me in commending Mr. Cosby for his unwavering commitment to improving our community.

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CONGRATULATING JUDGE HOLLY  
WILLIAMSON ON BEING NAMED  
THE 2018 TEXAS JUDGE OF THE  
YEAR

**HON. BRIAN BABIN**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. BABIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Judge Holly Williamson, Harris County Justice of the Peace for Precinct 8, Place 1, on being named the 2018 Judge of the Year by the Justices of the Peace and Constables Association of Texas.

Judge Holly Williamson took the oath of office as Presiding Judge of Harris County Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 8-1 on January 1, 2009. Holly earned a Bachelor of Business Administration in Economics from Southwest Texas State University and her Doctorate of Jurisprudence from the University of Houston. Prior to her election to the bench, Judge Williamson practiced law in federal, state, and justice of the peace courts.

Judge Williamson is responsible for a staff of fourteen professional clerks and a budget of \$1.3 million. She presides over a diverse case load of approximately 20,000 cases a year that include: civil and criminal trials, jury and bench trials, traffic court, hot checks, evictions, probable cause hearings, administrative hearings, and truancy court.

From 2009 to 2015, Judge Williamson served as the Co-Presiding Judge for the 16

Justice Courts of Harris County. Judge Williamson is involved in many professional organizations as a volunteer or presenter including the Texas Justice Court Training Center (TJCTC) Education Committee. She is responsible for developing and implementing curriculum for both continuing judicial education and the TJCTC New Judge School. Judge Williamson is a leader in the field of truancy law and was appointed by then Harris County Judge Ed Emmett to the Truancy Committee where she was tasked with recommending a uniform truancy policy for the school districts of Harris County.

When not in the courtroom, Judge Williamson is actively involved with her family and volunteering with numerous civic organizations. Holly has been married to Dr. Danny Williamson, a Pasadena chiropractor and small business owner, for over thirty years. Judge and Dr. Williamson have one daughter, Mary Kate, a graduate of Texas A&M University with a degree in aerospace engineering. The Williamson family are active parishioners at St. Martin's Episcopal Church in Houston, Texas.

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CONGRATULATING THE  
KEWEENAW LAND TRUST FOR  
RECEIVING LAND TRUST AC-  
CREDITATION

**HON. JACK BERGMAN**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. BERGMAN. Madam Speaker, it's my honor to recognize the Keweenaw Land Trust for receiving Land Trust Accreditation. Through its dedication to wildlife habitat, outdoor recreation, and its local community, the Keweenaw Land Trust has become an indispensable part of Michigan's First District.

Locally focused land conservation undertaken by community-based land trusts has become increasingly important across the country. Accreditation by the independent Land Trust Accreditation Commission is given to those organizations that have proven to be trusted, strong, and effective in their land conservation efforts. Through its tremendous work in Michigan, the Keweenaw Land Trust has shown that it is more than deserving of this seal. First started in 1996, the organization protects thousands of acres of forest and wetlands in the Keweenaw Peninsula and throughout the Western Upper Peninsula. Its work to protect wildlife habitats, water quality, working farms and ranches, and healthy communities has been invaluable for the people of Michigan's First District. Our region is home to some of the most pristine natural landscapes in the country, and I'm grateful for the Keweenaw Land Trust's efforts to ensure that future generations can enjoy the same natural beauty we so deeply treasure.

Madam Speaker, it's my honor to congratulate the Keweenaw Land Trust for receiving Land Trust Accreditation. Michiganders can take immense pride in knowing that the First District is home to such a trusted organization working to promote land conservation. On behalf of my constituents, I wish the Keweenaw Land Trust all the best in its future endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO THE LIFE OF JUDGE  
WILEY DANIEL

**HON. DIANA DeGETTE**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Ms. DEGETTE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and achievements of Judge Wiley Daniel, the first African American judge appointed to the U.S. District Court for Colorado, who recently passed away on Friday, May 10, 2019.

Judge Daniel was born in 1946 in Louisville, Kentucky and received his undergraduate and law degrees from Howard University in Washington, D.C. He spent six years in private practice in Detroit before moving to Denver in 1977 where he practiced law for 24 years with a specialty in civil litigation.

In 1992, he rose to be the first—and only—African American president of the Colorado Bar Association. Three years later, President Bill Clinton appointed Mr. Daniel to the U.S. District Court for Colorado, becoming the first African American federal judge in the state. Thirteen years after Judge Daniel took the bench, he became chief judge of the court.

Judge Daniel served admirably both inside and outside of the courtroom. He served as President of the Federal Judges Association, a national organization that supports hundreds of federal judges. He also taught courses in trial advocacy as an adjunct professor at the University of Colorado Law School and the University of Denver Sturm College of Law, where he mentored students. Additionally, from 1998 to 2003, Judge Daniel was a Trustee of the American Inns of Court Foundation, an organization which advocates for professionalism, ethics, civility and excellence throughout the legal profession. Until his final days, Judge Daniel was active in his church—Park Hill United Methodist in north Denver—where he served as a Deacon, sang in the choir and mentored young members.

Judge Daniel believed that racial and gender diversity in the judiciary is important. Accordingly, he was active in the Delta Eta Boulé fraternity, the nation's first African American professional organization. In fact, one of Daniel's passions was the fraternity's scholarship program, which helps young, bright African American students in the metro Denver area attend college.

Judge Daniel retired in 2013 but continued to hear cases and guide younger lawyers. Not surprisingly, Judge Daniel's distinguished legal career and dedication to the community has been recognized many times with numerous awards and accolades. In 2006, Judge Daniel was honored with the American Inns of Court Foundation Professionalism Award for the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals. In 2012, he was inducted to the Blacks in Colorado Hall of Fame due to his pioneering professional achievements. In 2013, Judge Daniel was awarded the King Trimble Lifetime Achievement Award by the Sam Cary Bar Association. In 2015, Judge Daniel was selected as the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Center for Legal Inclusiveness in recognition of his lifelong commitment to diversity and inclusiveness within the legal profession. Finally, in 2018, the National Black Prosecutors Association presented Daniel with the Trailblazer Award.

On May 10, 2019, at the age of 72, Judge Wiley Daniel passed away. He was one of the trailblazing Coloradans whose hands have shaped the United States into the great nation it is today. He was principled, pragmatic, well-respected and beloved. That is why his legacy will live on for many decades to come.

My heartfelt condolences go out to his family, the Denver law community and all Coloradans who mourn this terrible loss.

IN HONOR OF EDUARDO PADRON

**HON. DONNA E. SHALALA**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Ms. SHALALA. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize my dear friend, Eduardo Padron, on the occasion of his retirement as President of Miami-Dade College and his brilliant service to the South Florida community.

Dr. Padron has spent his career giving back to the community that welcomed him when he arrived from Cuba as a child. In the 50 years he has spent at Miami-Dade College, as a student, professor, and President, he has fundamentally transformed the school into an internationally recognized institution of higher education. Under his leadership, Miami-Dade College has become a true center of community for South Florida. The college has educated thousands of students in South Florida and sent them on to successful careers and lives.

Dr. Padron has received numerous accolades for his work as an educator. He was included in TIME magazine's list of top ten college presidents in 2009, named Floridian of the Year by Florida Trend in 2010, and honored as one of the eight most influential college presidents in the U.S. by The Washington Post in 2011. In 2016, President Barack Obama awarded him with a Presidential Medal of Freedom in recognition of his leadership on access and inclusion in higher education.

We have all witnessed Dr. Padron's extraordinary dedication to the people of South Florida. I'm grateful to know him as a leader in education and as a friend, and I wish him all the best in his retirement.

CELEBRATING AMAZON'S 20TH  
YEAR OF OPERATIONS AT THE  
SDF1 FULFILLMENT CENTER

**HON. JAMES COMER**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. COMER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to join my constituents in Campbellsville, Kentucky, who are celebrating Amazon's 20th year of operations at the SDF1 Fulfillment Center.

Amazon has been a tremendous contributor to Taylor County and the surrounding areas since opening SDF1 as one of the first five fulfillment centers in North America. Over the past two decades, Amazon has grown tremendously and SDF1 remains one of the largest employers in Taylor County and the region.

As evidence of the company's commitment to bettering the communities in which they op-

erate, and in commemoration of their 20th year in Campbellsville, Amazon is donating more than \$10,000 in STEM-related supplies to the Taylor County Public Library. This donation will enhance the library's current STEM-themed programs by fostering and promoting the pursuit of STEM education, while also developing students with real-world, marketable skills.

For two decades, Amazon has been proud to call Kentucky home and I am grateful for their continued investment in our commonwealth. I am proud of the economic prosperity and industrial development their presence has brought to Taylor County, and I join with all those whose lives they have bettered in celebrating their generosity to the community.

RECOGNIZING THE RETIREMENT  
OF T.J. MCGRATH AFTER NEARLY  
27 YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED  
CIVILIAN SERVICE

**HON. JOHN A. YARMUTH**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. YARMUTH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize the outstanding service of T.J. McGrath on her retirement after nearly 27 years of distinguished public service, the past 10 years at the Congressional Budget Office, most recently as its General Counsel.

T.J. was promoted to that position in late 2016, in recognition of her dedication, ability, skillful work, and breadth of experience. In that capacity, she has served as CBO's principal legal officer and an integral part of the agency's leadership team. She has overseen CBO's legal staff and their work, skillfully leading them in interpreting legislative proposals and providing high-level analysis regarding significant judicial decisions, scorekeeping guidelines, and relevant budget laws. She has been a leader in making CBO's analysis more transparent.

Moreover, since becoming CBO's General Counsel, she has worked tirelessly, building professional relationships across the legislative branch, focusing on creating a positive work environment at CBO, and providing training so that employees have the skills they need to interact more effectively. One example that encapsulates all three of those efforts is bystander training. T.J. worked closely with the Office of Congressional Workplace Rights to develop training to prevent harassment in the workplace. The training provided participants with practical tools for taking ownership of their work environment and encouraged bystanders not to remain silent if they witness an incident that might make someone feel uncomfortable. As a result of T.J.'s efforts, CBO was the first agency in the legislative branch to receive bystander training.

From 2009 to 2016, T.J. served as CBO's Deputy General Counsel. In that position, she dealt with many operational matters and quickly demonstrated her ability to develop practical solutions. She instituted CBO's successful legal intern program, updated and refined CBO's internal policies, served as lead attorney in cases involving the Congressional Accountability Act, and worked closely with a Justice Department attorney in a case brought in U.S. District Court. T.J. also made valuable

contributions to numerous reports, testimonies, and cost estimates in just about every subject area covered by CBO, including the economy, national security, and health care.

T.J.'s service to the nation did not begin with her work at CBO. She came to CBO from the Defense Department's TRICARE Management Activity (now the Defense Health Agency), where she was an Associate General Counsel, providing guidance to the Director and staff on policy and legal issues involved in delivering quality health care to military personnel, military retirees, and their dependents.

Although T.J. is retiring from civilian service, she will continue her exemplary military career. For nearly 27 years, she has served as a member of the Air Force's Judge Advocate General Corps. She first served on active duty in various locations, including Alaska, Korea, Germany, Iraq, and Afghanistan. During that time, T.J. defended the Air Force against tort claims, prosecuted criminal offenses, taught at the U.S. Air Force Academy, commanded a cadet squadron, and was a military assistant to the General Counsel of the Department of Defense. Since transferring to the reserves more than 14 years ago, she has served in the North American Aerospace Defense Command and United States Northern Command, the Air Force Space Command, the Air Force Nuclear Weapons Center, and the Pacific Air Forces. She remains active as a colonel in the selected reserves today.

Her colleagues in CBO and on the Hill appreciate her hard work, keen insights, sense of humor, and steady hand. They will especially miss her generosity with her time and knowledge, her patience, and especially her kindness.

I know my colleagues join me in extending our thanks and appreciation to T.J. for her service to our country. We wish her well in her future undertakings and hope that the nation will continue to benefit from her expertise and commitment.

HONORING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE METROPOLITAN AREA AGENCY ON AGING

**HON. BETTY McCOLLUM**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Ms. McCOLLUM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 25th anniversary of the Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging (MAAA). For 25 years, this nonprofit organization has served as a trusted advocate and resource for older adults and caregivers in the Twin Cities seven-county metropolitan area, helping seniors age well in their homes and communities.

As part of the history of the Older Americans Act, in 1972, the Metropolitan Council was designated the first Area Agency on Aging (AAA) for the Twin Cities metro area. MAAA was founded in 1994 as an independent, nonprofit organization and designated the AAA to carry out Older Americans Act services and programs. In 1997, Senior LinkAge Line call centers were established at MAAA and AAAs across Minnesota. In 2000, the National Family Caregiver Support was enacted by Congress and in 2001, MAAA established the Metropolitan Caregiver Service Collaborative. In 2004, it launched Sustaining

Minority Elders in Their Communities—an initiative to provide technical assistance and funding for organizations serving minority elders. The Upper Midwest Pension Rights Project became part of MAAA in 2009. It provides free legal counseling to residents of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, North Dakota, and South Dakota who have questions or problems related to their pensions. In 2011, MAAA became the fiscal sponsor for ACT on Alzheimer's—a statewide collaboration that began in Minnesota and led to the creation of a national initiative—Dementia Friendly America. In 2015, MAAA hosted the regional White House Conference on Aging.

Over the years, MAAA continues to adapt and expand the connections, services, and programs it oversees to better meet the needs of our aging communities. In 2015, MAAA founded Innovations for Aging, a wholly owned nonprofit subsidiary to expand its health promotion and wellness work. In 2016, Juniper was started in partnership with AAAs across Minnesota, and with Innovations for Aging as the managing partner. It provides evidence-based programming to help adults manage chronic health conditions, prevent falls, and be fit. Today, MAAA has grown from a staff of eight to employing 108 staff and is located in Arden Hills. In 2018, with Older Americans Act funding, MAAA and its community-based partners served 24,366 older adults and caregivers with critical service including chore and homemaking services, meals, rides, and caregiver consultation. More than 35 percent of those served were minority or Native elders. Through the Senior LinkAge Line and the help of its volunteers, MAAA served 66,673 people and answered 43,000 Medicare Open Enrollment calls last year.

Madam Speaker, the steadfast leadership, unbiased information, and assistance that MAAA provides to the aging communities in the Twin Cities metro are commendable and deserve to be celebrated. Please join me in honoring the 25th Anniversary of the Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging.

CONGRATULATING GORDON HIGGINS ON HIS RETIREMENT

**HON. DOUG COLLINS**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Hall County Schools' spokesman and athletic director Gordon Higgins on his retirement.

Higgins first moved to Hall County in 1980, starting as a teacher and coach at Johnson High School in Oakwood, Georgia. Now, at the age of 71, Higgins is retiring after devoting 47 years of his career to education, 39 of which he spent working as an administrator, an educator, and a coach in Hall County.

When Higgins first began teaching in Hall County in 1980, there were only three high schools serving a population of approximately 60,000. Over the last five decades, the population of Hall County has exploded to over 200,000 people, and there are now eight high schools across the district. For the last 39 years, Higgins played a critical role in guiding and shaping the school district through this season of incredible growth, and he focused

heavily on the fact that with growth comes an increased need for accountability. He made continuous efforts to increase the role of athletics in the local community and maintained a close relationship with local media outlets to ensure the community stayed informed on any news coming out of the Hall County School District, whether positive or negative.

During his tenure, Higgins partnered with various individuals and organizations for the betterment of the student body. Within the athletic department, Higgins helped implement new safety standards for tending to student athlete injuries by partnering with Dr. John Vachtsevanos to implement the Immediate Post-Concussion Assessment and Cognitive Testing Program, which has given Hall County athletics staff the ability to quickly determine whether a student athlete has suffered from a concussion and should receive medical attention.

Higgins also worked tirelessly to help prepare students for the workforce by working with the Hall County Chamber of Commerce to create partnerships between Hall County schools and local businesses to make work-study programs available to students.

Higgins says what he will miss the most is the people. The community of students, teachers, and parents he has served mean much to him and his family, and Higgins certainly means the world to our community. He has served our students and our community as a role model, teacher, administrator, and coach, and the Hall County School District is forever better because of his dedication. I want to thank Gordon Higgins for his commitment to our students and our community, and I wish him all the best in his retirement.

RECOGNIZING THE BENJAMIN MILLS CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

**HON. JOHN SHIMKUS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. SHIMKUS. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Benjamin Mills Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

During the Revolutionary War, Benjamin Mills served as a private and then as a 2nd lieutenant in the Maryland troops. His wife, Elizabeth, was also a patriot, having sewn shirts for the soldiers. After the war, the Mills family left Maryland to live in Pennsylvania. The family moved west, settling in Paris, Kentucky where Benjamin, Sr. died in 1822. Son Andrew and his family then migrated to Illinois in 1827 and settled in the southern part of Bond County, where hundreds of their descendants still populate the area.

On June 16, 2019, the Benjamin Mills Chapter, in coordination with the Illinois State Regent, Gloria Perkins Flathom, will dedicate two official NSDAR plaques in honor of Camp Ground Cumberland Presbyterian Church and Old Camp Ground Cemetery.

The Old Camp Ground Cemetery was established around 1830. Buried there are Revolutionary War soldier Joseph McAdams, Mary Trotter Mills, daughter of Revolutionary War

soldier Joseph Trotter, as well as veterans from the following conflicts: 1812, Black Hawk, Indian, Mexican, Civil, Spanish, WWI, WWII, Korea, and Vietnam.

The Camp Ground Cumberland Presbyterian Church began as a revival meeting of local families, and eventually led to the founding of the church at the site circa 1826. The original church building held worship services furnished with only the bare necessities, a dirt floor and a pulpit.

Madam Speaker, it is an honor to recognize the Benjamin Mills Chapter of the NSDAR as it dedicates these two plaques. The Chapter has been active in the Bond County area for over 100 years, and I wish it the best as it embarks on the next 100 years of promoting the Daughters of the American Revolution motto: God, Home, and Country.

CELEBRATING THE PRESIDENCY  
OF KATHERINE P. DOUGLAS AT  
CORNING COMMUNITY COLLEGE

**HON. TOM REED**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. REED. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the career of Katherine P. Douglas at Corning Community College, and congratulate her on her retirement.

For the last eight years, Katherine Douglas has served as the President of Corning Community College. As the sixth President in the history of the college, her goal has been to support the power of learning and improve the quality of life for students, their families, and our communities. Through a number of initiatives completed by the College throughout her tenure, Katherine has certainly met that goal.

Under Katherine's leadership, Corning Community College has flourished and grown to meet the needs of changing times. In 2012, she founded the Presidential Scholars scholarship program to aid exceptional students from Chemung, Steuben, and Schuyler counties and ensure they could graduate from Corning Community College free of tuition debt. Katherine helped transform the campus into a residential community with the opening of a three-story residence in 2013, dedicated to the College's first President, William Perry. As the workforce changed with an increased demand for healthcare professionals, Katherine embraced that change and was instrumental in the opening of the College's new state-of-the-art Health Education Center in 2017.

As Katherine moves forward with the next chapter of her life, we applaud her dedicated leadership of Corning Community College, and we wish her all the best in her retirement.

Given the above, I ask that this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations and join me to celebrate Katherine Douglas and her remarkable presidency at Corning Community College.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. PETE STAUBER**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. STAUBER. Madam Speaker, I was unable to vote on May 23, 2019 because I had

the privilege of advocating for Duluth, Minnesota's 148th Fighter Wing in a meeting with Air Force Secretary Heather Wilson. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 229; YEA on Roll Call No. 230; and YEA on Roll Call No. 231.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 350TH AN-  
NIVERSARY OF WOODBRIDGE  
TOWNSHIP

**HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Woodbridge Township on the 350th anniversary of its founding and join with its officials and residents in celebration of this historic milestone.

Woodbridge received its charter on June 1, 1669 by King Charles of England, nearly five years after its settlement. Its long history has been marked with notable events, residents and visitors, including an overnight stop at the Cross Keys Tavern by George Washington on his travel from Mount Vernon to New York for his inauguration.

It has also received several distinctions for its outstanding growth and community excellence. In 1964, Woodbridge was among only ten municipalities in the United States to receive the All American City Award, and in 1966 the township was presented with the Distinguished Achievement Award in the National Cleanest Town Achievement Contest by First Lady Johnson.

Woodbridge continues to preserve its history and community atmosphere while embracing growth. Today, the township is comprised of the communities of Avenel, Colonia, Fords, Hopelawn, Iselin, Keasbey, Menlo Park Terrace, Port Reading, Seward and Woodbridge and is one of the largest municipalities in New Jersey, with over 100,000 residents. It is home to Metropark train station, Woodbridge Center mall, large corporations and businesses as well as bustling downtowns. It is also a thriving arts community, with the Barron Arts Center and the Avenel Performing Arts Center, among others. Its diverse population and distinct features make Woodbridge a unique and flourishing town.

In its 350th year, the township is governed by Mayor John McCormac, Council President Cory Spillar and council members Kyle Anderson, Howie Bauer, Lizbeth DeJesus, Nancy Drumm, Gregg M. Ficarra, Debbie Meehan, Virbhadra N. Patel and Brian Small.

Madam Speaker, I sincerely hope that my colleagues will join me in marking the 350th anniversary of Woodbridge Township and celebrating its rich history.

COMMEMORATION OF THE 225TH  
ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUND-  
ING OF THE ALEXANDRIA LI-  
BRARY AND THE 80TH ANNIVER-  
SARY OF THE HISTORIC ROBIN-  
SON LIBRARY SIT-IN

**HON. DONALD S. BEYER, JR.**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. BEYER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the Alexandria Library, which has a rich history that spans two centuries. This year, the library is celebrating its 225th year as an entity as well as the 80th anniversary of the historic 1939 Library Sit-In.

The Alexandria Library was originally founded on July 24, 1794, by the Alexandria Library Company, where the Library was established as a subscription service where members paid a small fee to use its books, becoming the first in the state to do so.

Over the years, the Library was housed in several of the City's historic buildings such as the City Hall, Lyceum, the old Firehouse, Stabler's Apothecary and United Daughters of the Confederacy's Confederate Hall.

The community supported the recovery of the Library in the aftermath of the Civil War and the Depression of 1873, and again in the 1890s from the Panic of 1893.

In the 1930s, several groups came together to form a public library with Dr. Robert Barrett donating the money to build the Kate Waller Barrett Library (in honor of his mother), including the Alexandria Library Company, who donated the books to create the collection, the Society of Friends, who donated the land to build the facility, and the city, which designated a line item in its budget to ensure operations.

On August 20, 1937, the Kate Waller Barrett Branch opened to the community, but in conformance with the Jim Crow laws, it did not allow all citizens to use the facility and its resources.

On August 21, 1939, local attorney, Samuel W. Tucker, and five African-American men challenged this law with a peaceful protest wherein the five young men individually entered the library and requested library cards from Library staff, who denied each request. Each young man took a book from the shelves, sat down at a table, and began to read. Eventually arrested for their act of civil disobedience, this incident was recognized as the first library sit-in to occur in the country.

Their actions resulted in the opening of the Robert H. Robinson Library in 1940, which served the African-American community before becoming the City's Black History Museum. Each anniversary provides a unique opportunity to revisit the history that captures the essence of the City as it evolved into the thriving, historical destination it is today.

As the Alexandria Library recognizes and celebrates its entire past, the good and bad, it seeks to meet the informational, educational and recreational needs of the community. The Alexandria Library of the 21st century provides residents an opportunity to learn, explore, create, and connect, emphasizing that libraries today continue to function as the people's university and make information and technology available and accessible to all.

I ask this body to join me in commemorating the 225th anniversary of the founding of the

Alexandria Library and the 80th anniversary of the sit-in at the Kate Waller Barrett Branch of the Alexandria Library.

HONORING CO-OP CITY LITTLE  
LEAGUE 50TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. ENGEL. Madam Speaker, as a former resident of Co-op City for many years and an avid baseball fan, it is my pleasure to recognize the Co-op City Little League which this season will celebrate its remarkable 50th Anniversary.

Founded in 1969, Co-op City Little League has brought generations of families together for five decades, while providing children with great exercise and wonderful team building skills. In the early days, games were played at Pelham Bay Park, Haffen Field, and Seton Falls Park. In 1975, a plan was drawn up between New York City and the Co-op City manager, Riverbay Corporation, for the creation of the Co-op City Fields. The fields stand on the outskirts of the residential area, at the intersection of Co-op City Boulevard and Bellamy Loop, and consist of a pair of excellently maintained baseball diamonds. Both of the fenced fields contain dugouts and there is a walkway with bleachers, a small picnic area, and a comfort station for spectators.

Co-op City Little League began playing on the new fields several years after they were developed and have been going strong there ever since. The League has served as a launching pad for several professional players and has had over 25 District 22 champions over the years. In 1987, the District 22 championship team, coached by Bruce Lasky, made it all the way to the state championship game.

Madam Speaker, Co-op City Little League has been a staple in the community for almost as long as Co-op City has existed. Thousands of children and their families have enjoyed a day at the ballpark thanks to this wonderful, well run league, and I want to congratulate all involved on 50 great years. Here's to 50 more.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DR. JOHN  
DAVID CHANDLER

**HON. BRIAN BABIN**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. BABIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of my good friend, and fellow dentist, Dr. John David Chandler of Kerrville who passed away on May 15, 2019 in San Antonio.

Dr. Chandler was born on September 7, 1947 in Victoria, Texas and graduated from Victoria High School in 1965. He earned a bachelor's degree in biology from Sam Houston State in 1969 and a doctorate in dentistry from the University of Texas Dental Branch in 1973.

Following dental school, Chandler served as an officer in the United States Air Force Dental Corps at Yokoga Air Force Base from 1973

to 1976. For the next year Dr. Chandler served as an Associate Professor at the University of Texas Dental Branch. In 1977, Dr. Chandler moved to Huntsville and started his private dental practice. Chandler practiced for 38 years in Huntsville, Texas from where he was recognized as an outstanding restorative general dentist and was beloved by his patients, friends and his peers. John and his wife, Janie, retired in 2015 and moved to Kerrville, Texas where their love for the outdoors led them to create a backyard sanctuary for birds, butterflies and other wildlife.

Dr. Chandler had a passion for continued education and teaching and mentoring young dentists. He served in a leadership role in numerous state and national professional organizations such as the Academy of General Dentistry, Texas Academy of General Dentistry, American Dental Association, Brazos Valley District Dental Society, and the Heart of Texas Dental Society.

Dr. John David Chandler leaves behind his loving wife of forty-nine years and eleven months, nearly half a century. John is also survived by his son Ty Scott Chandler of Austin, son Ryan Todd Chandler of Amarillo, brother and sister-in-law Jay and Ann Garner of Laguna Vista, and sister, Brenda Anderson of Austin.

Madam Speaker, my prayers and condolences are with the family and friends of Dr. Chandler.

COMMEMORATING THE 101ST  
ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING  
OF AZERBAIJAN

**HON. ROBERT B. ADERHOLT**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. ADERHOLT. Madam Speaker, last week, our friends in Azerbaijan celebrated Republic Day, honoring the 101st anniversary of the founding of their country.

On May 28, 1918, the National Assembly of Azerbaijan adopted a Declaration of Independence, and formed the Azerbaijan Democratic Republic, the first secular parliamentary democracy in the Muslim world.

In 1920, the Bolsheviks invaded the Azerbaijan Democratic Republic and established a Soviet government. Azerbaijan was forcefully incorporated into the USSR and suffered under the weight of the Soviet regime for many decades.

Following the collapse of the Soviet Union, the Republic of Azerbaijan restored its independence on August 30, 1991.

The United States recognized Azerbaijan as an independent state on December 25, 1991 and established official diplomatic relations with the Republic of Azerbaijan on February 19, 1992.

As they rebuilt from the wreckage of the failed communist empire, Azerbaijan grew into a strong and reliable ally of the United States.

Today, the Republic of Azerbaijan is not only a valuable partner of the United States, but also plays a critical role in the Caucasus and Central Asia. Azerbaijan was one of the first countries to render unconditional assistance to the United States after the terror attacks of September 11, 2001. It also has a strong friendship and partnership with Israel, one of the closest allies of the United States.

Azerbaijan, as a participant in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's (NATO) Partnership for Peace program, has supported NATO's peace operations in Afghanistan by providing troops from the Armed Forces of Azerbaijan to assist with the missions since 2002.

As we commemorate this 101st anniversary of the founding of Azerbaijan, the United States remains grateful for the strategic relationship and enduring friendship between our two countries. Furthermore, we look forward to this strong and close friendship continuing and even growing stronger in the many years to come.

RICHARD MAXSON UKULELE  
CHAMPION

**HON. BILLY LONG**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. LONG. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Richard Maxson, a professor at Drury University in Springfield, Missouri, for winning the 8th Annual International Ukulele Contest in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Richard spent his youth performing in his hometown of Ventura, California, and working at Christian summer camps by providing the musical soundtracks to sing-alongs and services.

Little did he know where these experiences would take him.

In 2007, Richard was on a business trip in Hawaii when he came across a sign for free ukulele lessons. Curious to see if he had what it took, Richard signed up and learned his first song: Little Red Hibiscus. Inspired by this, Richard returned to Springfield, bought his first ukulele and became what he refers to as a recovering guitar player.

As much fun as Richard was having, he wanted others to join in on the fun. That's why in 2012 he formed a ukulele club at Drury University, called the DUKes. His goal was to attract Drury students by sitting in a coffee shop playing his ukulele. It worked. By 2013, 20 students joined the club and were drinking coffee and playing the ukulele with him.

Over the next few years, the DUKes, under the direction of Richard, performed at various events in Springfield. In August 2015, the DUKes traveled to Springfield's Sister City of Isesaki, Japan, to perform at the Isesaki Summer Festival. Richard also began performing with his wife, Karen, in a ukulele duo called Uke 66, performing in the United States, Mexico and Japan. On a whim, Richard entered the 8th Annual International Ukulele Contest in Honolulu in 2019. As the only contestant from the mainland United States, Richard was one of six finalists in his division of 19 and older. A few hundred people watched Richard on his way to victory as he performed an original piece, titled "Hedgehog Cafe," which was inspired by a trip he took to Japan with his wife in 2017.

Madam Speaker, the world needs dedicated individuals who are eager to share their gifts with those around them, and that is exactly what Richard has done and continues to do. That is why it is my great honor to rise today congratulating Richard Maxson on his award-winning performance and original composition.

RECOGNIZING SGT. PAUL  
ARNOLD'S FAITHFUL SERVICE

**HON. MARK E. GREEN**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. GREEN of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, in 2006, Sgt. Paul Arnold received his first cancer diagnosis. But after 26 years in law enforcement—13 years with the Franklin Police Department—Sgt. Arnold would not surrender his post. For 13 more years, he has continued to serve his community and act as a bulwark against crime. Many consider Arnold a mentor, and all know him to be an example of character and honor. His reputation is known far and wide. In 2017, Sgt. Arnold was acknowledged for distinguished service and given the Theodore Roosevelt Police Award—an award given to outstanding officers that serve in spite of a serious illness.

Sgt. Arnold is soon retiring as a Franklin Police Officer. The Franklin Police Department will miss this servant leader—but we are grateful for all Sgt. Arnold has done to build strong young men who will carry on the torch of service in their community.

Too often everyday acts of bravery go unnoticed and our civil servants unacknowledged, so it is my honor to thank Sgt. Arnold on behalf of all Tennesseans for his courage, dedication, and service.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO WRITER  
TONY HORWITZ

**HON. STEVE COHEN**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. COHEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Pulitzer Prize-winning author Tony Horwitz who died last week at the age of 60. His 1998 *Confederates in the Attic: Dispatches From the Unfinished Civil War* was hugely influential on me because, having grown up in the South, I could relate to much of what he wrote. His views on civil rights and even on zoning laws were insightful and illuminating. I recall once visiting my neighbor and friend the Civil War historian Shelby Foote and seeing *Confederates in the Attic* among his books. He told me Horwitz had recently visited and had dropped off a copy, and Foote said he wished he'd read it before the visit. Horwitz won his Pulitzer Prize as a reporter at *The Wall Street Journal* for his stories on low-wage workers at garbage recycling and poultry processing plants and worked for *The New Yorker* before writing *Confederates in the Attic*. Known for his deep reporting and participatory journalism, Horwitz also wrote *Blue Latitudes: Boldly Going Where Captain Cook Has Gone Before* (2002) in which he retraced the 18th century explorer's voyages in the Pacific; *A Voyage Long and Strange: Rediscovering the New World* (2008), which looked at what America was like before its European discovery; *Midnight Rising: John Brown and the Raid that Sparked the Civil War* (2011) about the abolitionist's 1859 attack on the military arsenal at Harper's Ferry; and *Spying on the South: An Odyssey Across the American Divide* that came out in May which

followed the future landscape architect Frederick Law Olmstead's reporting for *The New York Times* from the South prior to the Civil War. Horwitz's reputation as a hands-on reporter and writer will be long remembered. I wish to express my condolences to his wife, the novelist Geraldine Brooks; to his sons Nathaniel and Bizu; and to his many fans and friends.

RECOGNIZING WHITE COUNTY NA-  
TIVE KELLIE JOLLY HARPER AS  
LADY VOLS COACH

**HON. JOHN W. ROSE**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. JOHN W. ROSE of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a true Tennessee Volunteer, a daughter of Tennessee's Sixth Congressional District, and the new Head Coach for the University of Tennessee Lady Vols basketball team, Kellie Jolly Harper.

Coach Harper represents the best of Tennessee. She is known nationwide for her grit and her relentless pursuit of victory. No doubt these traits were instilled in her first by her coach and father, Kenneth Jolly, and mother, Peggy Simpson Jolly, and honed into championship ingredients by legendary coach Pat Summitt.

Coach Harper was raised in Sparta, Tennessee, a rural town in White County that has been and continues to be home to some of the hardest working people I have met. Her work ethic as a standout player for White County High School led to a starting position with the most prestigious women's basketball program of all time, the Tennessee Lady Volunteers. Before graduating from the University of Tennessee in 1999, Coach Harper ran point for three of Coach Summitt's national title teams, including a perfect 39-0 season in 1998. Even more incredibly, she achieved all this success after suffering an injury to her knee that would have been career-ending for most.

Coach Harper is only the third Lady Vol head coach in the NCAA era of women's basketball. She returns to Rocky Top alongside her husband and Assistant Coach, Jon Harper, and their children, Jackson and Kiley. I have noticed her attention to her children throughout her start as Tennessee's Head Coach and I pray that she and her family enjoy a long and fruitful era in Knoxville.

I believe in the great promise of the Lady Vols basketball program and know that with this homegrown leader, the team is in great hands. I wish my sincerest best to Coach Kellie Jolly Harper and the Tennessee Lady Vols. She has certainly made her hometown and region proud. Welcome home, Coach, and Go Big Orange.

HONORING THE LIFE OF ROBERT  
W. DAVIS

**HON. DAVID P. JOYCE**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. JOYCE of Ohio. Madam Speaker, today I wish to honor the life and legacy of Mr. Rob-

ert W. Davis of Cortland, Ohio who passed away surrounded by his loving family on Thursday May 23, 2019. I rise to pay tribute to his life's work as an educator and mentor who instilled a strong and deep understanding of government and civic responsibility to the generations of young people he taught throughout his distinguished career at Maplewood High School in Northeast Ohio.

Bob was a 1967 graduate of Hubbard High School in Hubbard Ohio, and in 1971 graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Education and later a Master's Degree from Youngstown State University.

Mr. Davis was a government and social studies teacher at Maplewood High School for 35 years, retiring in 2006, where he also was an assistant principal and taught driver's education. He also was the past president of Lakeview Band Boosters. He enjoyed sharing his love for music and social studies with young people. But most importantly, he encouraged his students to be active and informed citizens who participate and appreciate our democratic process.

He was presently employed by the Trumbull County Board of Elections, and an active member of the Trumbull County Republican Party. Bob was a member of Grace Lutheran Church of Hubbard Ohio, a former Sunday School Superintendent, and also started the recycling center at the church. It is evident that Bob lived a life of full of service to his community, and applied his deep values and principles to all aspects of his life.

He will be sadly missed by his family; his wife the former Deborah A. Drummond whom he married August 2, 1975; his son William Paul Davis and his wife Alison of Dublin, Ohio, and two grandchildren Jacqueline Clare and Parker Joseph. Beside his parents, he was preceded in death by his in-laws William D. & Dorothy Drummond, and his sister-in-law Marsha S. Drummond.

I extend my deepest sympathies to the many family and friends whose lives were blessed by Bob Davis.

IN RECOGNITION OF DAVID REESE,  
PRINCIPAL OF BAKERSFIELD  
HIGH SCHOOL

**HON. KEVIN MCCARTHY**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 3, 2019*

Mr. MCCARTHY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor David Reese, an educator and principal at Bakersfield High School, who will be retiring this August after 35 years of service to the students, parents, and teachers in Bakersfield, California, which I represent.

David was born in Dodge City, Kansas in 1958 and moved to Bakersfield with his family in 1965. David graduated from Foothill High School and earned several accolades as part of the Foothill High School basketball team, including winning the California State Boys Basketball Championship in 1976 when he was a senior. David stayed in our community for college, earning his Bachelor's degree from California State University, Bakersfield (CSUB) and then obtaining his teaching credential in 1984. David returned to Foothill as a teacher and coached the boys basketball team, guiding the team to a championship in 1988. In



1992, David became the Dean of Students at Foothill High School, a position where he continued to excel at serving the needs of his students. He quickly rose through the ranks at Kern High School District—the largest 9th through 12th grade school district in the State of California—and became Principal of Bakersfield High School (BHS) in 1999.

As the BHS principal, David oversaw the largest and oldest high school in the community, which has a student body of almost 3,000 students. A principled and passionate educator, David made it his top priority to raise graduation rates and ensure his students were prepared for college. During his tenure at BHS, he prioritized innovative academic programs, making the school the first to start Project Lead the Way, an academic program designed to foster student interest in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields through hands-on experience and visiting local STEM-related businesses around the community. I know that he is proud of the multiple national championships that BHS students won in Virtual Business, a competition where students learn how to start, operate, and market a new business. In addition, David helped promote the Earl Warren Cup, a civics competition for government students designed to test their knowledge of American history and politics.

An avid supporter of the BHS Drillers athletic program, David can often be seen cheering on student athletes at basketball, baseball, football, softball, soccer, and volleyball games, golf, tennis, and wrestling matches, and track & field, cross country, and swimming meets in our community and at state championship tournaments. In recognition of all his work at BHS and for our community, CSUB inducted David into its Alumni Hall of Fame in 2017. And, as this year's BHS seniors graduate, David will have presided over 19 graduation ceremonies, having the honor of personally handing out diplomas to over 13,000 students.

On behalf of the 23rd Congressional District of California and the thousands of students he helped educate during his time at Foothill High School and Bakersfield High School, I want to thank David for his work and dedication in molding the minds of our community's next generation of leaders, helping them to acquire the skills and education during one of the most important and formative times of their lives. I also want to thank his wife Abby, his daughter Becky, and his sons Tyler David and Tyler Thomas, for sharing David with us in the

community, including the many late nights and early mornings at work.

While it may be bittersweet for David to leave the school that he so loves, I am sure that he is looking forward to the next chapter of life and spending more time with his wife and family. I know that David will never leave the BHS community because, as the saying goes, "Once a Driller, always a Driller."

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, June 4, 2019 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JUNE 5

- Time to be announced  
Committee on Veterans' Affairs  
Business meeting to consider the nomination of James Byrne, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs. TBA
- 9:45 a.m.  
Committee on Finance  
To hold hearings to examine foreign threats to taxpayer-funded research, focusing on oversight opportunities and policy solutions. SD-215
- 10 a.m.  
Committee on Appropriations  
Subcommittee on Department of Defense  
To hold closed hearings to examine defense innovation and research funding. SVC-217

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Thomas Peter Feddo, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Investment Security, Nazak Nikakhtar, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary for Industry and Security, and Ian Paul Steff, of Indiana, to be Assistant Secretary and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, both of the Department of Commerce, Michelle Bowman, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Paul Shmotolokha, of Washington, to be First Vice President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and Allison Herren Lee, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission. SD-538

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine the state of the television and video marketplace. SD-G50

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Robert Wallace, of Wyoming, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife. SD-366

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine pending nominations. SD-226

10:15 a.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations  
To hold hearings to examine 30 years after Tiananmen, focusing on rule by fear. SD-419

2:30 p.m.

Committee on the Judiciary  
Subcommittee on Intellectual Property  
To hold hearings to examine the state of patent eligibility in America. SD-226

JUNE 12

2:30 p.m.

Committee on the Judiciary  
Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights  
To hold hearings to examine competitive implications of vertical consolidation in the healthcare industry. SD-226