spent learning ballet, tap, and modern dance with her exquisite instructors, Miss Melanie, Beth Landin, and Patty Ozer, gave her lifelong memories with immeasurable value. For that I am truly grateful. At a young age my son, Will, along with my wife, Jean, participated in music classes. Both Ashleigh and Will learned valuable lessons and seeds were planted which have now bloomed and witnessed by their daily appreciation for the arts.

Fifty years of cultivating the arts in our community is certainly a cause for celebration. I congratulate 171 Cedar Arts Center on this impressive milestone and look forward to their continued success in the years to come.

Given the above, I ask that this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations and join me to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of 171 Cedar Arts Center in Coming, New York.

HONORING JOHN SHACKFORD
HON. MIKE THOMPSON
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, June 18, 2019

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. John Shackford for his contribution to our Napa Valley community as a local business owner and dedicated community member.

Mr. Shackford was born in Los Angeles, California, and received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Whittier College. He served in the Air Force from 1951 to 1958 as a distinguished fighter pilot and is a Korean War veteran. Mr. Shackford married the late Ms. Donna Shackford and in 1960 they moved to Napa County.

For forty-three years, Mr. Shackford owned Shackford’s Kitchen Store, the beloved culinary store located in downtown Napa. The store employed countless people from our community and served local businesses, home chefs, and culinary students. Prior to establishing Shackford’s Kitchen Store, Mr. Shackford was the owner and chief head pilot at the Nut Tree in Vacaville from 1967 to 1974.

Mr. Shackford has been active in our community through the programs he and Ms. Shackford sponsored over the last thirty years. He sponsored Babe Ruth baseball teams, girls softball teams, Slow Pitch teams, 4-H, and Derby cars for kids. Mr. Shackford is a family oriented man and he has shown with his generosity and involvement that he considers Napa to be part of his family.

Madam Speaker, John Shackford is an important member of our Napa County community. He is a kind and giving person who has served the people of Napa for over forty-three years. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

HON. CHERI BUSTOS
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, June 18, 2019

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Illinois Marine Corps League on its 75th Annual Department of Illinois Convention. Congratulations for serving the United States Marine Corps in Illinois for 75 years. The Marine Corps League was founded by Major General John A. LeJeune and has ever since been committed to upholding the ideals of the United States Marine Corps. Through the years, the League has provided a place for Marines to come together in the common bond they shared in service to our nation. The League also has the ability to bring together Marines who are currently serving with those who have been honorably discharged, making the group span across generations of leadership in the Marine Corps. It is my hope that this convention allows this group to celebrate the goals of the Marine Corps League and all they have accomplished in service to our nation. It is because of dedicated community organizations such as the Illinois Marine Corps League that I am especially proud to serve Illinois’ 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate the Illinois Marine Corps League on its 75th Annual Department of Illinois Convention.

HONORING THE LIFE AND CAREER OF ROBERT A. GANLEY
HON. BRIAN HIGGINS
OF NEW YORK
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, June 18, 2019

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the career and accomplishments of Robert A. Ganley, a local leader in the private sector who has played an influential role in the revitalization of the Buffalo-Niagara region, upon the occasion of his retirement.

For nearly 30 years, Robert Ganley has served as the President of Ivoclar Vivadent, a Buffalo-Niagara based dental technology business with global reach. The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Ivoclar Vivadent AG, a Liechtenstein based company with subsidiaries in 25 countries, and employs about 3,500 people worldwide.

Under the excellent leadership of Mr. Ganley, the company has had an immense economic impact on Western New York, growing from roughly 20 employees in 1990 to about 230 today. Mr. Ganley has also overseen tremendous growth in the company’s sales, transforming it from a struggling company in the 1980s into a successful business with over 300 million dollars in sales today.

During his tenure at Ivoclar Vivadent, Mr. Ganley has sponsored numerous special initiatives to promote community outreach and mission, including Give Kids a Smile Day and the Wisdom Tooth Project. His main priority as the company’s president has always been giving back to the community and providing essential services to patients in need in Western New York and around the world.

Over the course of his career, Mr. Ganley has received numerous awards for his outstanding leadership and expertise in the field of dental technology. In 2015, he was inducted as an Honorary Member of the International College of Dentists, and he received the Visionary Award from the American College of Prosthodontics in 2018.

In March of this year, Business First awarded Mr. Ganley with the Excellence in Healthcare Award for his visionary leadership of Ivoclar Vivadent and his steadfast commitment to providing underserved populations with access to oral healthcare. This April, Mr. Ganley also received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry.

Madam Speaker, thank you for allowing me a few moments to recognize Robert A. Ganley, a leader in the healthcare industry who has devoted his entire career to contributing to the growth and development of the Buffalo-Niagara region.

RECOGNIZING THE SAN ANGELO MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS EXHIBIT AT THE EUROPEAN UNION AMBASSADOR’S RESIDENCE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.
HON. K. MICHAEL CONAWAY
OF TEXAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, June 18, 2019

Mr. CONAWAY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the unveiling of over thirty pieces of art from the San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts in the European Union Ambassador’s Residence in Washington, D.C. on June 20, 2019.

These works date back to the 1920’s and represent a variety of creative approaches and artistic styles. The ceramic pieces, by renowned artists from all over the world, range from functional to sculptural to abstract, and the paintings and sculptures by Texas artists are hallmark examples of movements such as surrealism, American regionalism, minimalism, and impressionism.

Texas has a rich, multicultural history that is well-represented through this collection. I am incredibly honored to have these pieces from Texas’ 11th District on display in the Ambassador’s home where they will be viewed and appreciated by individuals from across the world. It is a historic feat for art from an American museum to be displayed in a foreign diplomatic residence, and I am proud to have San Angelo and Texan artists represented on the world stage in this way.

I would like to specifically recognize the artists from Texas who will have their work displayed: Randy Brodnax, Vorakit Chinoosowsong, Fidencio Duran, Altha Leona Edge, Juan Granados, W. Frederick Jarvis, Chapman Kelley, Lebeth Lammers, Ben Livingston, Otis Lumpkin, Patricia Nix, and one of San Angelo’s very own world-renowned artists, René Alvarado, who also assisted with the transport and installation of the art.

This exhibition is a testament to the excellent leadership of the museum, and the commitment of the community to strive for excellence. I would like to thank the Director of the San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, Howard Taylor, as well as the Museum’s board and staff members. I also want to recognize the European Ambassador to the United States, for his generosity in displaying these works and opening his home to Texas art and culture.