

on the House floor and missed roll call votes No. 426 "Adoption of H. Res. 466—The rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill H.R. 3401—Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Humanitarian Assistance and Security at the Southern Border Act, 2019," No. 427 "Republican Motion to Recommit on H.R. 2722," No. 428 "Passage of H.R. 2722—Securing America's Federal Elections Act," No. 429 "Concurring in the Senate Amendment to H.R. 3401—Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Humanitarian Assistance and Security at the Southern Border Act, 2019," No. 430 "Approval of the Journal." Had I been present, I would have voted "YES, YES, NO, YES, YES," respectively.

#### RECOGNIZING RONA FALLS' CONTRIBUTIONS TO MUNDY MILL LEARNING ACADEMY

##### HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 28, 2019*

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mrs. Rona Falls for her contributions to Mundy Mill Learning Academy.

Earlier this month, Falls was one of six parents statewide who were honored by the Georgia Department of Education and the Georgia Parent Teacher Association for their outstanding leadership in creating a foundation of support for student achievement and success. Falls was nominated by Mundy Mill's principal, Crystal Brown, for her steadfast commitment to Mundy Mill Learning Academy.

Her time spent volunteering and working at her daughter's school is particularly commendable considering she moved to Gainesville from the Philippines only two years ago. After Rona, her daughter Lizzy, and her husband Eric, a Gainesville native, moved to Gainesville, she began volunteering at Mundy Mill in hopes of getting involved in the community. Two years later, Falls has served on Mundy Mill's School Governance Council, on the Gainesville City School System's Technology Committee, as a Girl Scout troop leader, and as vice president of the Parent Teacher Association (PTA). This coming year, Falls will serve as PTA president.

Parents should make every effort they can to be involved in their child's education. Falls has gone above and beyond by not only being active in her daughter's educational experience, but by working to enhance the learning experience of every child at Mundy Mill Learning Academy.

On behalf of the people of Gainesville and the educators and parents at Mundy Mill Learning Academy, I would like to thank Mrs. Falls for her commitment to our students and congratulate her on being honored with the Georgia Parent Leadership Award.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

##### HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 28, 2019*

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I was unavoidably detained during yesterday's

final vote series. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on Roll Call No. 429, and "nay" on Roll Call No. 430.

#### HONORING SETH D. APPLETON

##### HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 28, 2019*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Madam Speaker, I rise today on behalf of Senator ROY BLUNT, Congressman SAM GRAVES, Congressman BILLY LONG, Congressman JASON SMITH, Congresswoman ANN WAGNER, Congresswoman VICKY HARTZLER, and Congressman WILLIAM LACY CLAY to congratulate Seth Daniel Appleton on his confirmation to the position of Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research at the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

While working for two Members of our delegation, myself and Representative SAM GRAVES, Seth showed an exceptional ability of working across the aisle to achieve bipartisan policy solutions. As a legislative staffer he managed numerous policy areas including housing, banking, defense and agriculture. He excelled in his duties, eventually rising to the position of Chief of Staff in my office.

It was in this role that Seth truly showed his ability to excel in housing policy. Working for the Chairman of the Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance and with fellow Missouri Congressman EMANUEL CLEAVER as the Ranking Member, they coauthored the Housing Opportunity Through Modernization Act, which unanimously passed the House and Senate and was signed into law in 2016. Seth was a key part of the passage of this bill, advising me every step of the way.

Madam Speaker, we are pleased that the U.S. Senate has confirmed Seth to be Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research. Housing issues are not only of vital importance to our home state of Missouri, but to the Nation as a whole, and we have no doubt that Seth will find great success in this distinguished role.

#### HONORING SAINT REGIS MOHAWK TRIBAL CHIEF BEVERLY COOK, SUB-CHIEF KENNETH JOCK, CHIEF JUDGE CARRIE GARROW AND TRAFFIC COURT JUDGE LOIS TERRANCE ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR SWEARING IN CEREMONY

##### HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 28, 2019*

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today on behalf of the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe to honor Tribal Chief Beverly Cook, Sub-Chief Kenneth Jock, Chief Judge Carrie Garrow, and Traffic Court Judge Lois Terrance on the occasion of their swearing in ceremony.

The Saint Regis Tribe originally settled in the area in the mid-1750s. The settlement, named Akwesasne, sits on the United States and Canadian border along the Saint Lawrence River.

I have been honored to work with the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe during my time in Congress to advance causes of mutual interest. Whether it be honoring veterans of World War II or discussing investments in the Saint Regis community, the Tribe's leadership have been important partners. On behalf of New York's 21st Congressional District, I want to congratulate Chief Beverly Cook, Sub-Chief Kenneth Jock, Chief Judge Carrie Garrow, and Traffic Court Judge Lois Terrance on their successful elections. I look forward to our continued cooperation and their future achievements.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

##### HON. W. GREGORY STEUBE

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 28, 2019*

Mr. STEUBE. Madam Speaker, I missed the following votes due to a family obligation. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 426; YEA on Roll Call No. 427; NAY on Roll Call No. 428; YEA on Roll Call No. 429; and NAY on Roll Call No. 430.

#### RECOGNIZING MRS. MARGARET AYERS ON HER 75TH WORK ANNIVERSARY

##### HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 28, 2019*

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mrs. Margaret Ayers of Lavonia, Georgia, who recently celebrated her 75th work anniversary with Northeast Georgia Bank.

Since 1944, Margaret has fully devoted herself to serving the citizens of Lavonia through her work at Northeast Georgia Bank and her involvement in countless community organizations. She has long been recognized by the community for her work ethic, civic mindedness and her deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Lavonia.

Putting her organizational skills, leadership talents and keen sense of vision to work, Margaret has been actively involved in the Lavonia Chamber of Commerce, Franklin County Chamber of Commerce, Lavonia Lions Club, Lavonia Hospital Authority, Georgia Mountains Regional Commission, Department of Family and Children's Services, A Greater Lavonia Community, Inc., Power of Hope, Lavonia Housing Authority, Friends of Lavonia Carnegie Library, Franklin County Habitat for Humanity, Order of the Eastern Star and Lavonia UDC.

In addition to serving as a dedicated member of the community, Margaret was a beloved wife to the late Mayor Herman Ayers. Together they served the City of Lavonia for over two decades.

On behalf of the people of the Ninth District of Georgia, I want to congratulate Margaret on this remarkable accomplishment and thank her for her steadfast commitment to our community.