

Willis, Sonny, Ezra, Millie, Rachel, and Margaret endured the unspeakable hardships of slavery. Even after slavery was legally abolished, injustices in education, employment, and law enforcement have had an impact on African Americans in our society. Despite this, communities of strength and virtue have prevailed, as we bear witness today at this Moye family reunion.

While this is the 39th annual Moye family reunion, it is the first one being held in Buffalo, and the city is honored to be the site of celebration for a family with such rich history and traditions. Family members descending from Eugene and Minnie, Daisy and Joseph, and Georgia and Neb live in Buffalo today. Moye family members began moving to Western New York as early as the 1930's, and thanks to the Moye Family Historian, Gregory Moye, we are able to recount some aspects of the family history today.

The Moye family is the embodiment of a virtuous family with a rich history of obstacles that ultimately led to great perseverance and triumph. Family members from all around the country have traveled and sacrificed to be here today, for the simple and beautiful reason of celebrating family with one another. Buffalo is honored to have been called home for many members of the Moye family and I would ask my colleagues to join me in extending a warm welcome to each member of the Moye family and extend our best wishes for an enjoyable successful celebration this year and for generations to come.

HONORING ANDREA AGUILAR FOR RECEIVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD

HON. FILEMON VELA

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 22, 2019

Mr. VELA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Andrea Aileen Aguilar, who has earned the Girl Scouts of the USA Gold Award.

Andrea joins a select group of scouts to obtain this recognition. The Gold Award symbolizes an individual's outstanding accomplishments in leadership, community service, career planning, and personal development. The award requires earning four interest project patches, the Career Exploration Pin, the Senior Girl Scout Leadership Award, and completing the Senior Girl Scout Challenge. A scout must also complete a Gold Project, in which scouts identify and lead a project on a pressing issue in the community.

For her Gold Project, Andrea installed a bicycle rack and a repair station with sidewalks and landscaping at the National Historical Park—Resaca De La Palma Battlefield in Brownsville, Texas. Andrea worked with local businesses to secure labor and material. I am proud of her work ethic and ability to improve community access to an historic landmark through this project.

It is a great honor to recognize Andrea Aileen Aguilar for her dedication and unwavering service. I am confident that the skills and life lessons she learns through Girl Scouts will prove to be invaluable in her future endeavors. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing her achievements, work, and service.

RAISE THE WAGE ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. DAVID B. MCKINLEY

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 18, 2019

Mr. MCKINLEY. Mr. Speaker, working Americans are rightfully concerned with their salaries and wages. H.R. 582, the "Raise the Wage Act" was an attempt to address this issue by increasing the minimum wage up to \$15/hour. Unfortunately, this is not the right approach. The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office (CBO) stated that this could result in the loss of up to 3.7 million jobs.

Incremental increases in the federal minimum wage are appropriate, and I was proud to support West Virginia's recent increase of the minimum wage to \$8.75/hour. But the fact is, H.R. 582 did not account for regional differences in cost of living. \$15/hour may work for places like Manhattan and San Francisco but would devastate small businesses in the Mountain State.

Further, such a drastic increase in the minimum wage would harm those workers that this bill claims to help. CBO has estimated that of the millions of jobs lost, 46 percent will be young workers and 38 percent will be those without a high school diploma. For every person lifted out of poverty by this bill, another 1 to 3 jobs would be put at risk.

If Democrats in Congress are serious about addressing issues surrounding the minimum wage, they should have proposed legislation that accounts for regional factors and slowly increases it to a more reasonable level, instead of pushing a one size fits all 107 percent increase nationwide. Unfortunately, this legislation would have been unworkable for West Virginia and I was given no other choice but to oppose it.

TRIBUTE TO DR. SUZANNE EATON

HON. DENVER RIGGLEMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 22, 2019

Mr. RIGGLEMAN. Madam Speaker, our hearts are heavy as we mourn the loss of Dr. Suzanne Eaton, an American biologist who was murdered in Greece on July 2nd. Dr. Eaton worked at the Max Planck Institute at Dresden University in Germany, where she was a leader in the field of molecular biology. Her colleagues described her as a woman with an insatiable curiosity and a humble, loving heart.

The legacy she leaves behind is not one of sorrow. Instead, it is a legacy of discovery. Dr. Eaton's work advanced our understanding of the building blocks of life, and in doing so, provided an invaluable contribution to the understanding of humankind. For this, and for her, we are grateful.

Today, it is my hope that we can remember here in this chamber her work, her life, and her legacy.

HONORING ABIGAIL ELIZABETH ROCHA FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD

HON. FILEMON VELA

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 22, 2019

Mr. VELA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Abigail Elizabeth Rocha, who has earned the Girl Scouts of the USA Gold Award.

Abigail joins a select group of scouts to obtain this recognition. The Gold Award symbolizes an individual's outstanding accomplishments in leadership, community service, career planning, and personal development. The award requires earning four interest project patches, the Career Exploration Pin, the Senior Girl Scout Leadership Award, and completing the Senior Girl Scout Challenge. A scout must also complete a Gold Project, in which scouts identify and lead a project on a pressing issue in the community.

For her Gold Project, Abigail built five libraries, three in Matamoros, Tamaulipas, Mexico and two in Brownsville, Texas. An avid reader, Abigail excelled in her goal of providing both communities with access to books. I applaud her vision and ambition as she diligently worked on both sides of our border to get the communities involved in this project. Her imagination and leadership helped improve educational opportunities for children and families.

It is a great honor to recognize Abigail Elizabeth Rocha for her dedication and unwavering service. I am confident that the skills and life lessons she learns through Girl Scouts will prove to be invaluable in her future endeavors. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing her achievements, work, and service.

DAN BRENNAN

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 22, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Chief of Police Dan Brennan for his many years of service to the City of Wheat Ridge and surrounding communities.

For almost 15 years, Chief Brennan has served the Wheat Ridge community and the City's police department. Chief Brennan became Chief of Police in 2005, but his commitment to his community started long before then. He received both his bachelor's and master's degrees from local colleges before graduating from the 208th Session of the FBI National Academy, the Police Executive Research Forum's (PERF) Senior Management Institute for Police, the University of Denver Public Safety Leadership Institute, and the International Association of Chiefs of Police Leading Police Organizations Program.

Chief Brennan has been recognized for many of his achievements with the Medal for Meritorious Service, Medal for Distinguished Service, the Police Service Award, Police Officer of the Year, and the Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police Ralph Smith Professional Innovation Award. Chief Brennan's dedication

to public service and helping people has improved the quality of life in Wheat Ridge and across Jefferson County.

I extend my deepest thanks and appreciation to Chief Brennan for his service and commitment to our community and his service to the people of Colorado.

HONORING THE CAREER OF JUDY SCHNEIDER

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 22, 2019

Ms. LOFGREN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Judy Schneider who is retiring from the Congressional Research Service after over forty years of service on Capitol Hill.

Last year, when Judy Schneider received a lifetime achievement award from the Congressional Management Foundation, the Roll Call article on the event stated that “hundreds of members of Congress know how to legislate because Judy Schneider taught them.” If anything, that does not capture the extent and depth of Judy Schneider’s influence on Congress and the legislative process.

Judy, who received both Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees from American University has also worked for the Senate Ethics Committee, the Senate Select Committee to Study the Senate Committee System, and the House Commission on Administrative Review. She has been with CRS since 1979. She has also been active with Women in Government Relations, who recognized and honored her work through their program “Direct Connect to Congress” series by creating a fellowship in her name.

Congress depends on rules and precedents, decades and sometimes centuries old. We, as legislators, must rely upon guides and pathfinders to navigate the legislative process and to make sure that the institution operates as it should. There have been few, if any, guides and pathfinders as instrumental in serving this institution and in lighting the way for all of us to assist us in working to ensure that this nation meets the challenge of its promise.

I thank Judy Schneider for her years of service to all of us and wish her the very best in her retirement.

HONORING KATHRYN THALIA LEOS FOR RECEIVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD

HON. FILEMON VELA

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 22, 2019

Mr. VELA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Kathryn Thalia Leos, who has earned the Girl Scouts of the USA Gold Award.

Kathryn joins a select group of scouts to obtain this recognition. The Gold Award symbolizes an individual’s outstanding accomplishments in leadership, community service, career planning, and personal development. The award requires earning four interest project patches, the Career Exploration Pin, the Senior Girl Scout Leadership Award, and completing the Senior Girl Scout Challenge. A

scout must also complete a Gold Project, in which scouts identify and lead a project on a pressing issue in the community.

Kathryn’s project, “Kat’s Closet,” focused on meeting the professional-attire needs of students at South Texas Academy for Medical Professions. The school serves as an alternative to larger high schools of local independent school districts for students interested in pursuing careers in health care. Equipping our next generation of leaders is critical as they embark on their careers. Kathryn’s work has made a lasting, positive impact on the lives of many.

It is a great honor to recognize Kathryn Thalia Leos for her dedication and unwavering service. I am confident that the skills and life lessons she learns through Girl Scouts will prove to be invaluable in her future endeavors. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing her achievements, work, and service.

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, July 23, 2019 may be found in the Daily Digest of today’s RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JULY 24

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Business meeting to consider S. 2162, to require the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection to annually hire at least 600 new Border Patrol agents, to report quarterly to Congress on the status of the Border Patrol workforce, and to conduct a comprehensive staffing analysis, S. 1976, to amend the FAST Act to improve the Federal permitting process, S. 2065, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to publish an annual report on the use of deepfake technology, S. 2183, to require the Comptroller General of the United States to analyze certain legislation in order prevent duplication of and overlap with existing Federal programs, offices, and initiatives, S. 2177, to provide taxpayers with an improved understanding of Government programs through the disclosure of cost, performance, and areas of duplication among them, leverage existing data to achieve a functional Federal program inventory, S. 2169, to amend

section 3116 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify the applicability of the appointment limitations for students appointed under the expedited hiring authority for post-secondary students, S. 2107, to increase the number of CBP Agriculture Specialists and support staff in the Office of Field Operations of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, S. 2193, to require the Administrator of General Services to issue guidance to clarify that Federal agencies may pay by charge card for the charging of Federal electric motor vehicles, S. 764, to provide for congressional approval of national emergency declarations, S. 439, to allow Members of Congress to opt out of the Federal Employees Retirement System, and allow Members who opt out of the Federal Employees Retirement System to continue to participate in the Thrift Savings Plan, S. 2119, to amend title 5, United States Code, to appropriately limit the authority to award bonuses to Federal employees, H.R. 2590, to require a Department of Homeland Security overseas personnel enhancement plan, H.R. 3305, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2509 George Mason Drive in Virginia Beach, Virginia, as the “Ryan Keith Cox Post Office Building”, and the nominations of Chad F. Wolf, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Strategy, Policy, and Plans, and William Bryan, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Science and Technology, both of the Department of Homeland Security, Robert M. Duncan, of Kentucky, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, Ann C. Fisher, of the District of Columbia, and Ashley Jay Elizabeth Poling, of North Carolina, both to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission, Catherine Bird, of Texas, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, and Rainey R. Brandt, and Shana Frost Matini, both to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

SD-342

10 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the expected nomination of David L. Norquist to be Deputy Secretary of Defense.

SD-G50

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine the Theodore Roosevelt Genius Prize, focusing on innovative solutions to reduce human-predator conflict.

SD-406

10:15 a.m.

Committee on Finance

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Brent James McIntosh, of Michigan, to be an Under Secretary, Brian Callanan, of New Jersey, to be General Counsel, and Brian McGuire, of New York, to be a Deputy Under Secretary, all of the Department of the Treasury, and Travis Greaves, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

SD-215

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine authorities for the use of military force.

SD-419