

Nation thanks to the work of people like Mr. Hutson.

He has no doubt touched countless lives in Colorado as he has provided his time, talent, and resources to advance the causes he cares deeply about. He served as a mentor for the Denver Petroleum Club in 2013 and helped a group of young industry professionals raise more than \$700,000 for the Wounded Warriors Project. He has also supported the Children's Hospital, the Denver Center for the Performing Arts, the Tennyson Center, and the Newman Center.

Mr. Hutson will be honored next week at the Navy Seal Foundation's Denver Evening of Tribute. He is worthy of this recognition, and I thank him for serving and impacting so many people in the State of Colorado.●

#### TRIBUTE TO ERIK BECKER

● Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, I am proud to recognize Erik Becker of Lancaster, NH, as August's Granite Stater of the Month for his dedication to improving the community he grew up in and for lending support to those in need.

As the Student Assistance Program coordinator at Groveton High School—the very same high school that he graduated from—Erik sees firsthand how important it is to ensure that students have both emotional and material support throughout the year, not just during the school months.

During the summer, kids usually lose the relationship that they have formed with teachers during the school year. To prevent his relationships from weakening during the summer, Erik spends 15 hours a week at the school helping to distribute free lunches to kids in need, while also acting as a "big brother" for students who just need someone to talk to.

Erik also works at the community homeless shelter, Tyler Blaine House. He started out as a support staff member but moved his way up to a full-time case manager position to help individuals seeking to break the cycle of homelessness and get back on their feet.

In addition, Erik is the founder of the Black Crow Project, which he and a few friends founded after seeing how the substance misuse epidemic had negatively affected their community. The Black Crow Project seeks to act as a support system for those impacted by substance abuse. Right now, the group is working to revitalize the Lancaster/Groveton Crowthalton, a community coalition that provides support, training, and guidance to individuals suffering from addiction. In 2016, the group also helped put on one of the largest Narcan kit distribution/awareness events in New Hampshire.

One of Erik's favorite projects as part of his work with the Black Crow Project is the Small Town Loud Fest, an annual event that brings people of all ages together to combat substance

misuse, all while listening to area bands in a substance-free space.

To top off all of this community involvement, Erik also acts as a recovery coach for those battling addiction.

In New Hampshire, we have a tradition and ethos of seizing the initiative in order to make a difference, and Erik's activism and engagement exemplifies what it means to be a Granite Stater. His passion and dedication to improving the lives of the people who he grew up with is making a difference and will spur and enable others to do the same. New Hampshire is lucky to have him.●

#### RECOGNIZING TAPPAN CHAIRS

● Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, today I would like to recognize the 200th anniversary of Tappan Chairs of Sandwich, NH.

One of the first settlers of Sandwich, Abraham Tappan first created a ladder-backed Tappan chair in 1819. The chairs became an iconic and treasured part of the town's history, with subsequent generations of the Tappan family crafting chairs from stout rock maple and hardy white ash and selling and trading them throughout the region.

In the 1930s, the business moved out of the family and was run by various members of the Sandwich community. The business continued in affiliation with the Sandwich Home Industries, an original incarnation of the League of New Hampshire Craftsmen. Tappan Chairs almost disappeared in the early 1960s but was saved at auction. In the 1980s and 1990s the company was revitalized once again by Gunnar Berg, who established a national market for this unique type of furniture.

Currently, the business is run by Adam Nudd-Homeyer, who has dedicated himself to studying the chairs' story, design, and build, bringing older models back into production and expanding the selection of the furniture's materials. Adam has also continued the tradition of using Tappan Chairs to help raise money for local, regional, and national nonprofits.

Tappan Chairs is the only commissioned chairmaker in the world for the living Shaker community and is developing a limited edition historic reproduction piece with the foremost Shaker museum in the country. This iconic business and pillar of the community is now housed in the former Sandwich General Store building, having transformed the space into an open workshop, showroom, and history exhibit.

For 200 years, Tappan Chairs has crafted high-quality, beautiful chairs, innovating in numerous ways while also staying true to techniques and designs that have stood the test of time. As the business has passed from one maker to the next over, from generation to generation, this wonderful company has encouraged Granite Staters to treasure our past and embrace the future.

Mr. President, I hope you will join me in honoring the 200th anniversary

of a treasured New Hampshire business, Tappan Chairs.●

#### 132ND ANNIVERSARY OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA

● Mr. SCOTT of Florida. Mr. President, on August 15, 1887, 2 years after the end of the Civil War, history was made in Florida, when a group of newly freed slaves voted to incorporate the town of Eatonville on 122 acres of land. With its founding, Eatonville became the first African-American incorporated city in America. I want to congratulate Eatonville as they celebrate their 132nd anniversary and Founders Day this August. The story of Eatonville is one that all Americans should be proud of, and it stands today as an example to our Nation and the world.

This town started as a tightly knit community, built around church, school, and family, and they have maintained that heritage through over a century of growth and development. They share the challenges faced by all of our communities: the need for good jobs, a great education for their children, and a safe community.

Eatonville is famous for being the home for two influential authors, Zora Neale Hurston and Alice Walker. Zora Neale Hurston wrote about Eatonville in her 1937 novel, "Their Eyes Were Watching God." Forty-five years later, Alice Walker would write "The Color Purple," which shared similar themes. Today, Eatonville and Zora Neale Hurston are recognized in the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington, DC.

In 2018, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation awarded Eatonville the prestigious Culture of Health Prize for their efforts to address the high rates of diabetes in their community. This is an honor awarded to just a handful of communities across the Nation each year, with only 4 winning cities out of 200 entries.

To address the health needs of the entire community, they created the Healthy Eatonville Initiative and established a diabetes education and research center, the Healthy Eatonville Place, where residents can come to learn how to improve diet and exercise habits. They improved access to fresh fruits and vegetables. They built safe sidewalks and bike paths and placed historical markers along the way for all residents to learn and take pride in their rich history.

I am proud of the community spirit of Eatonville and the work they have put in to make the community so successful. As Governor and now as Senator, it is an honor to work with partners like the Town of Eatonville to make Florida the best place to live, work, and raise a family, and I look forward to their future achievements.●