

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE SERVICE OF MARIO RODRIGUEZ

HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor and recognize Mario Rodriguez, Executive Director for the award-winning Indianapolis Airport Authority. The Indianapolis International Airport is in the congressional district that I represent, and I have wholeheartedly supported its innovation and growth under Mario's leadership.

Mario Rodriguez has long been a dedicated aviation expert and community advocate, and has used his knowledge to serve not only the city of Indianapolis, but also the nation at large. For 30 years, he has held leadership positions in airports around the country, and, under his leadership, the Indianapolis International Airport has continued to receive recognition for its world class service. Mario has also championed a diverse workforce and to date, more than 50 percent of senior leadership and 35 percent of professional staff at the Indianapolis Airport Authority are women and racial minorities. Mario's aviation expertise also led to his appointment in 2016 to the National Department of Transportation Committee for Aviation Consumer Protection by President Barack Obama.

Mario is also well-known for his commitment to civic engagement. He is board member for many nonprofits in our community, including Immigrant Welcome Center, Indiana Latino Institute, Indy and Indiana Chambers, The Indiana Sports Corps, The Economic Club of Indiana, Visit Indy, and the 500 Festival. For this good work, he has received numerous awards acknowledging his efforts to strengthen Central Indiana and improve the lives of its residents.

Mario Rodriguez is a leader and a trailblazer. Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating his contributions to our community, state and country.

COMMEMORATION OF THE 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF DO- LORES AND WILL GRESHAM

HON. MARK E. GREEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. GREEN of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Dolores and Will Gresham of Somerville, Tennessee on the very special occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Dolores and Will were married on August 2, 1969. Together, their lives have been marked by service to their community, and both retired from the United States Marine Corps with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Dolores has also

served in the Tennessee State Senate since 2008.

In addition to their service, their marriage of fifty faithful years embodies the values of Tennessee which have and will keep our state and our nation strong. There's no doubt that they have lived an All-American life with their family; raising Hereford cattle on their farm, investing in their neighbors, and holding fast to their strong values and shared faith, giving us all an ideal to which we can aspire. May their commitment grow even stronger as they love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Madam Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 50th year of marriage. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF H.D. BROOME

HON. MICHAEL GUEST

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of Mr. H.D. Broome of Bassfield, Mississippi. Mr. Broome was an American patriot who served the U.S. Army during World War II and the perilous Ardennes, Rhineland, and Central Europe Campaigns.

Private First Class H.D. Broome was inducted into the U.S. Army on August 11, 1944, at the age of 18. Assigned to C Company of the 8th Infantry, Mr. Broome participated in the American march across Europe and the famed "Battle of the Bulge." For his service, Mr. Broome was awarded the Bronze Star, a Purple Heart, and the Combat Infantryman Badge.

Mr. Broome was Honorably Discharged from the U.S. Army in August 1946 and returned to Mississippi. After returning to Bassfield, Mr. Broome married Gracie Williams; served as deacon, Sunday school teacher, and church treasurer at Bethel Baptist Church; and enjoyed a 30-year career with the Mississippi Department of Transportation. Mr. Broome passed away May 11, 2019, and is buried at Lowland Cemetery in Bassfield, Mississippi.

Today, I join Mr. Broome's family in remembering his service and celebrating his life. I am grateful for all he has done in service to his country, his state, and his community.

RECOGNIZING ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC PARISH

HON. TIM WALBERG

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. WALBERG. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize St. Joseph Catholic Parish

of Erie, Michigan as it celebrates its 200th anniversary.

St. Joseph Catholic Parish, the second oldest Catholic church in Monroe County, and the third oldest Catholic church in the Archdiocese of Detroit, has a rich history of service to the community.

The parish began in 1819 as a log building in a community called Bay Creek, where worshippers were primarily hunters and trappers. In its early days, the church depended upon traveling Jesuit priests who ministered to the congregants, followed by occasional visits by Father Gabriel Richard. In 1826, a new wood-frame building was constructed to replace the earlier log structure, and in 1833, Father John DeBruyn became its first resident pastor.

Around 1850, the Bay Creek settlement area was renamed Vienna, and today is known as Erie. As the parish continued to grow in number, it became necessary to build a new facility. The present building was completed under the leadership of Father Peter Warlop and consecrated in 1852 by Bishop Peter Paul LeFever. The magnificent structure, still used today as St. Joseph's place of worship, is a testimony to many years of faithful ministry.

Over the years, the church provided an elementary school for parishioners and added a new activities center to better serve the church body. Today, St. Joseph Parish continues to enrich hundreds of individuals and families in Erie as a place of connection, worship, and service.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join with me in congratulating St. Joseph Catholic Parish on its bicentennial anniversary. May God continue to bless the congregation as it shines a bright light in Monroe County and beyond.

IN HONOR OF THE FIRST PRES- BYTERIAN CHURCH IN FLEMINGSBURG

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. BARR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the First Presbyterian Church in Flemingsburg, Kentucky on their 200th anniversary.

In 1795, Dr. John Poage Campbell came to Fleming County and erected a log church at Flemingsburg. According to historical records, other pioneer preachers were associated with the early church including Joseph P. Howe, James Kemper, William W. Martin, and John T. Edgar.

The present church building was erected in 1819. It remains as the major known work of architect-builders Samuel Stockwell and John Eckles. It is a fine example of Kentucky Federal architecture. In 1977, the church was named to the National Registry of Historic Places.

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As the congregation gathers to celebrate the 200th anniversary, I appreciate the historical significance of their building, but more importantly recognize the impact that this congregation has made on the Flemingsburg community over the years.

I congratulate Reverend Rick Hurst and all the members of First Presbyterian Church in Flemingsburg on their 200th anniversary and wish them many more years of successful ministry, serving God and reaching out to the community.

REMEMBRANCE OF HOPE
"JACKIE" MURPHY WHITTAKER

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Hope "Jackie" Murphy Whittaker, who passed away on 20 August 2019.

She was born 20 January 1935, the only child of Frank Marvin Murphy of Ayrfield and Hope Alice Dadmun of Petersburg and Norfolk. Jackie lived a long and varied life, raising her children, managing the farm, Ayrfield, where her family has lived since 1769, working on the Virginia Tech Extension Farm at Liberty Hall in Mount Holly, and spending 18 years as a customer service representative at Dominion Power before retiring in 1997.

Jackie was a Red Cross water safety instructor in her youth, and was an avid hunter and fisherman, inviting others into the outdoors with her enthusiasm. She inherited her mother's love of music and singing; she particularly enjoyed classical music and opera. She directed the choir at Yeocomico Church for several years. Jackie participated in various other nearby choral groups over the years as well, such as the Essex Community Chorus, and concerts at Andrew Chapel and St. James in Montross. When her children approached school age, she added her forceful support to the other local parents who sought to establish a small private school to provide their children the best possible education. Their efforts resulted in the creation of Woodland Academy in Neenah, VA, a place of quality primary education for nearly 50 years. She was as active in the Boy Scouts as her son, serving on the District Committee and participating in many district Camporees and training events. She was a patriot who held an undying belief in the greatness and wonder of this country. Jackie graduated from St. Margaret's School in Tappahannock and then went to Westhampton College in Richmond for a year before attending and graduating from Women's College of Greensboro in 1957.

She was predeceased in 1997 by her husband of 35 years, Arthur Davis Whittaker. She is survived by a son, Cmdr. A. Davis Whittaker, Jr. (Lynn); a daughter, Sarah Leigh Whittaker Montuori (David); a grandson, Anthony Francis Arthur Montuori; a step-daughter, Anne Marie Whittaker, and a lot of extended family and dear friends in the Northern Neck she loved so much.

HONORING THE VANNIE E. COOK,
JR. CHILDREN'S CANCER AND
HEMATOLOGY CLINIC

HON. VICENTE GONZALEZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Vannie E. Cook, Jr. Children's Cancer and Hematology Clinic by recognizing the month of September 2019 as National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

Childhood Cancer remains the number one cause of non-accidental death in children. Every year, approximately 1,700 Texas families will hear the words, "Your child has cancer" and about 105 of those brave children are from the Rio Grande Valley.

For the last 18 years, the Vannie E. Cook, Jr. Children's Cancer and Hematology Clinic, the first comprehensive pediatric cancer and hematology clinic in the Rio Grande Valley, has provided quality care and treatment to over 10,000 South Texas children battling cancer and blood disorders, regardless of their family's financial capacity.

On September 5, 2019, the Vannie Cook Children's Cancer Clinic and community members committed to fighting pediatric cancer will join together to host the Celebration of Life Carnival in McAllen, Texas. This community event will raise awareness of pediatric cancer, remember the young children we have lost, and honor the survivors as well as the courageous children and families fighting this disease every single day. It will be a day dedicated to children fighting cancer and I find it fitting to enter this important date in history into the record of the U.S. House of Representatives. I also plan to continue to do all I can, through my work in the Congress, to end all forms of cancer that afflict people all over the world.

Madam Speaker, I commend all associated with the Vannie E. Cook, Jr. Children's Cancer and Hematology Clinic on the occasion of National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. It is an honor to represent these courageous young people currently fighting cancer as well as those at the clinic for their invaluable work on behalf of children and families from the Rio Grande Valley.

HONORING MS. VIRGINIA "PIXIE"
FLYNN BELL

HON. DONALD S. BEYER, JR.

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. BEYER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in celebrating the exemplary life of Ms. Virginia "Pixie" Flynn Bell. Ms. Bell passed away on August 2, 2019 at the age of 85 and is survived by ten of her thirteen children and three granddaughters.

Ms. Bell was born in 1934 in Boston, Massachusetts and grew up in Maine, where she graduated from Edward Little High School in 1952. Ms. Bell valued education, and in December 1997 at the age of 63 she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from Marymount University in Arlington, Virginia.

Ms. Bell spent her life in dedicated service to her country and local community. She served in the Air Force and worked as a senior advisor to elected officials in Virginia, including governors, U.S. Senators, U.S. Congressmen, state Senators, state Delegates, and Fairfax County Supervisors and Chairmen. As a longtime member of the Virginia Democratic Party, Ms. Bell was passionate about political organizing. She was a hard worker and strategic thinker, committed to bringing greater diversity to the Democratic party. Her colleagues and friends remember her for her welcoming spirit and mentorship.

Madam Speaker, for these reasons, I ask the House of Representatives to join me in remembering the life of Ms. Virginia "Pixie" Flynn Bell.

INDIGENOUS STEM PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT ACT

HON. GREGORIO KILILI CAMACHO
SABLAN

OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. SABLAN. Madam Speaker, today, I introduce the Indigenous STEM Professional Development Act, which would expand opportunities for Native American students to earn degrees in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) through partnerships between schools from the elementary to postsecondary level and the private sector.

Native Americans, including American Indians, Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians and the indigenous peoples of the Pacific U.S. territories, are among the most underrepresented groups in the STEM professions. Efforts to increase Native students entering the STEM workforce have seen success with programs like the University of Alaska's Alaska Native Science and Engineering Program (ANSEP). Based on a model incorporating indigenous language and culture in STEM instruction, intensive academic support and hands-on learning from middle school through graduate school, ANSEP has produced over 800 STEM graduates whose job placement rates exceed the national average. According to a 2015 Urban Institute evaluation, ANSEP participants have a 95 percent course completion rate with 84 percent reported being employed within one year of graduation. The evaluation also found the majority of ANSEP students earn a median annual salary over \$60,000 with 17 percent earning over \$100,000.

In 2008, Congress recognized the benefits of the ANSEP model in authorizing grants under the Higher Education Act to support similar programs focused on Native Hawaiians as well as Alaska Natives. However, we must do more to encourage all indigenous students to enter STEM careers, including Chamorro, Refaluwasch, and American Indians. The Indigenous STEM Professional Development Act reauthorizes and expands the grant program to include all indigenous peoples of the United States. Under the bill, schools can continue to use the grant to develop programs to help Native students succeed in completing STEM coursework, transitioning into college, gaining practical experience through internships, and working in their career fields after graduation.

I urge my colleagues to support this legislation to help strengthen our nation's STEM

workforce by expanding opportunities for indigent students to succeed as STEM professionals.

HONORING VERDINE DAY, DETROIT'S FIRST BLACK WOMAN FIRE ENGINE OPERATOR

HON. RASHIDA TLAI

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Ms. TLAI. Madam Speaker, I rise today in tribute to Ms. Verdine Day for her many years of service to the City of Detroit's Fire Department, on the occasion of her retirement.

Ms. Day has served the Detroit Fire Department for more than thirty-three years. She has risen through the ranks to become the department's first Black woman Fire Engine Operator. Ms. Day possesses a strong work ethic and has always remained generous and willing to mentor or help out a colleague in need. Her dedication to fair and just treatment was also instrumental in adopting a pregnancy policy for women of the Detroit Fire Department with the assistance of the late City Councilmember, Mary Ann Mahaffey. Ms. Day has been recognized for her achievements by being awarded the Spirit of Detroit Award and being named 2019 Woman of the Year by the City of Detroit, at the Annual Women in Blue ceremony. Her heroism in the line of duty has earned her two citations for the rescue of civilians.

During her tenure, Ms. Day has represented fire fighters on several fronts with proven results. She served as an elected union official with the Detroit Fire Fighters Association for fourteen years. In that capacity she has served as 8th Battalion Director, Secretary, Vice President, and currently holds the position of Treasurer of the Association. During those terms she also chaired various committees to include the Political Action Committee, the Joint Health and Safety Committee, Public Relations, Human Relations and Grievance committees.

Beyond her service to the public, Ms. Day has been an active community volunteer. For the last nineteen years, she has orchestrated the "Engine 40 Back to School Backpack project", securing thousands of backpacks loaded with school supplies for youth. For the last fourteen years, she has led the "Fill the Boot Campaign", raising money for children for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Ms. Day has also coordinated with Gleaners to provide bryakfast for children in the summer, served as a camp coach in Burn Camps and the Junior Fire Cadet Program.

Outside of her many commitments, Ms. Day still finds time to enjoy traveling, riding motorcycles, and playing softball. Her stellar softball skills landed her in the Michigan United States Specialty Sports Association Hall of Fame. Ms. Day shares her life with her loving family, spouse Ronald Day and her four children.

Please join me in saluting Senior Fire Engine Operator Verdine Day for her thirty-three years of bravery and service to the public as we wish her well on her retirement.

IN HONOR OF THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INCORPORATION OF THE CITY OF SAN MATEO

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Ms. SPEIER. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the City of San Mateo upon the occasion of the 125th anniversary of its incorporation. An election was held on September 1, 1894 and voters overwhelmingly supported becoming a city. With 125 votes supporting incorporation to 25 opposed, the election was certified on September 3rd and the first council—known as a Board of Trustees—was convened the following day.

One hundred twenty-five years later, San Mateo has about 110,000 residents and a place in our global economy. Every time you use Survey Monkey, you are relying upon a business in San Mateo. At one point in recent years, first Solar City and then Tesla were either founded or had major facilities in this community. GoPro is next door. These offices were originally occupied by Visa International, since relocated in a nearby community. If you have a Franklin Templeton fund in your 401(k), it was created and managed by the diligent financial experts at their headquarters in San Mateo.

I love San Mateo because on its broad, leafy, streets you can find people and hear languages from around the globe. One third of the city's population was born outside the United States. About 94 percent of all households have a computer. About 90 percent have a broadband internet connection, and 51 percent of all residents have a bachelor's degree or higher. Gone are the days when horses galloped around the Bay Meadows race track. That area is now the site of high technology. Women and men are making modern bets in this part of the city, but this time on the emerging global economy rather than on successors to Secretariat.

The history of San Mateo did not begin with the arrival of Spanish explorer Gaspar de Portolá in the 1700's. The Ohlone Native Americans lived in the area and the available evidence indicates that they largely lived in harmony with the land and water around them. There is also evidence of healthy trade between villages that were once on the San Mateo Coast and the edge of San Francisco Bay, including in San Mateo. The forested land and grasslands of the foothills were seen by the Spanish as a rich opportunity. First Spain, and then Mexico, granted extensive land holdings to early settlers. Farming and ranching were the norm.

However, the admittance of California as a state in 1850 was soon followed by the arrival of extensive development. The railroad sparked the land rush, starting in 1863. Suddenly, what had been a weekend retreat for a handful became a suburban home for wealthy refugees from San Francisco. By the turn of the century, the early founder of Bank of America—A.P. Giannini—was making daily commutes from his San Mateo home to his bank in San Francisco.

San Mateo is enormously patriotic. During the darkest days of the Vietnam War, and alone amongst cities in the Bay Area, the residents of San Mateo adopted a unit of the

101st Airborne, 1st Brigade, 327th Infantry Regiment Company A, and they have provided continuous support to the company ever since. Last year during the weekend of March 24th and 25th, the city celebrated yet another weekend in which the troops were hosted and they paraded through downtown.

From its founding as a village in 1894 to its emergence as a 21st century powerhouse, residents of San Mateo have led spirited civic lives. Elections are rarely without significant discourse. Initiatives are sometimes sparked. Many, many smart and engaged people participate. Democracy is the better for it.

San Mateo is a microcosm of the best of our nation. Rare is a day when a hawk does not soar overhead or a child exclaim in joy in Central Park. At the county hospital, a physician will save a life or counsel the despondent not to give up hope. Up the hill, students attend to their coursework at the College of San Mateo.

Residents know that the best pie on the planet is to be had at Heidi Pies. If the otters at CuriOdyssey science museum don't bring a smile to your face and joy to your heart, you have no soul. One hundred twenty-five years after the city's founding, the kite surfers off the city's levee have it right. Go with the wind and find your way across the choppy waves. Excitement is in San Mateo, California, along with joy, genius, generosity, and tremendous pride in the United States of America.

HONORING DAVE ADKISSON ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

HON. HAROLD ROGERS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Dave Adkisson, for his years of dedicated service in expanding business and enhancing opportunity throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky. A true champion for business-community outreach and development, Dave's retirement in October 2019 marks an impactful 15-year career dedicated to advancing businesses and promoting workers' priorities with the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce.

Dave was raised in Owensboro, Kentucky, where he first sowed the seeds of his passion for business and community development. After starting his career at the local chamber of commerce, his success and community leadership were further evidenced when he was twice elected mayor of Owensboro.

After serving as president of the Birmingham, Alabama Chamber, Dave returned home to the Commonwealth to serve as head of the state chamber in 2005. Due to his leadership and selfless discipline, the Kentucky Chamber became the state's largest business association. Dave expanded the Chamber's Frankfort headquarters to focus on Kentucky-first policy and local community development. Due to the economic growth and business advancements under Dave's efforts, the state chamber doubled in size and became a prominent voice, advocating for Kentucky on the national scale. With Dave as president and CEO, the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce was named the State Chamber of the Year by the Council of State Chambers.

Dave has used his state chamber position by serving the Commonwealth community in multiple positions, including serving as the chairman of the American Chamber of Commerce Executives, and the chairman of the national Council of State Chambers. In each role, Dave worked to ensure that not only local business-community relationships existed, but also that Kentucky businesses were featured, utilized and grown on the national landscape. He has been an incredible force in the field of commerce and economic development for the Commonwealth.

I am particularly proud of Dave's tireless advocacy for enhancing our business community through education and workforce development. Kentucky's workforce is the best in the country, and his efforts to create the Kentucky Chamber Workforce Center and the Leadership Institute for School Principals have certainly yielded tremendous results. It is clear that his personal passion has shown through in these successful initiatives.

Dave has been a true leader for Kentucky and we will do our best to continue his dedicated work for the region we all love. As he enters retirement, my wife Cynthia and I wish Dave, Bonnie and their entire family immense joy and blessings in the years to come.

CELEBRATING GOLDIE MAE
HAMPTON'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor Mrs. Goldie Mae Hampton as she celebrates her 100th birthday. Mrs. Hampton will join the short list of Americans who have earned the status of centenarian on September 17, 2019.

Mrs. Hampton is the daughter of Grover and Florence Pierce. She was born and raised in Lincoln County, Missouri along with her three siblings, Grover, Otto, and Idell. By the time Mrs. Hampton was only 16, she had met the love of her life, John Wesley Hampton, and knew she wanted to get married right away. In 1935, Goldie Mae Pierce and John, who went by Wesley, married and together they had two daughters, Elaine and Pamela.

Over the years, Mrs. Hampton has lived an active and adventurous life. She and Wesley loved to travel all across the country in their motorhome. Their travels even took them to international destinations, including Israel. When she was not exploring, Mrs. Hampton was involved in the banking industry and would regularly assist with her eldest daughter's Girl Scout troop. Although she spent much of her time helping others, Mrs. Hampton still found the time to do some of the things she enjoyed most like square dancing, gardening, playing pinochle and dominos, crocheting, and ceramics.

Mrs. Hampton now resides in St. Charles County, Missouri where she still enjoys staying active, spending time with her family and dinners out on the town. As a remaining member of America's Greatest Generation, she considers herself blessed and is grateful to have made it to 100. She counts each day as a gift and is determined to continue living life to the fullest—an example we all strive to follow.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring Mrs. Goldie Mae Hampton as she celebrates her 100th birthday. May she continue to experience good health and the love and support by those she cares for the most on this momentous occasion.

REMEMBERING THE ACHIEVEMENTS
OF DOCTOR R.C. SHAH

HON. CAROL D. MILLER

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mrs. MILLER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to posthumously recognize, Doctor Rajnikant Chandulal Shah—affectionately known to many as "R.C." Doctor Shah, born on April 11, 1944, was raised in Jinja, Uganda before he moved to Mumbai, India to attend Grant Medical College; after receiving his medical degree, he moved again to America to pursue better educational opportunities. It was within the mountains of Appalachia, where he decided to continue his surgical training with Appalachian Regional Hospitals and West Virginia University School of Medicine.

Often referred to as and recognized as one of the best General Surgeons in all of West Virginia, Doctor Shah, throughout forty years of private practice, devoted his life to caring for southern West Virginians in the communities of Beckley, Hinton, Sophia, Rainelle, Oak Hill, and Meadow Bridge.

While also maintaining an active and influential career, Doctor Shah remained an asset to the healthcare industry all throughout the Mountain State. He was a fervent advocate for bettering the health of all his fellow West Virginians—making great efforts to recruit and retain top-notch medical talent to the Mountain State. Even after long hours and days spent entrenched in complicated surgical cases, he made time to serve in a wide variety of medical leadership roles and spent year after year teaching future generations of medical leaders from West Virginia University, Marshall University, and Lewisburg College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Doctor Shah's list of accomplishments are many—they include: decades of serving as a Board of Trustees Member as well as a Medical Director of two hospitals associated with the Appalachian Regional Healthcare system, President of the West Virginia Chapter of the American College of Surgeons, titles at multiple area hospitals including Chairman of Surgery, Chief of Medical Staff, and President of the Raleigh County Medical Society. He also served for over twenty years as a Clinical Associate Professor for West Virginia University School of Medicine.

May God bless Doctor R.C. Shah. I wish I could thank him for all he has done for the people of the great State of West Virginia. He will always be fondly remembered by his family, friends, colleagues, and the countless people whose lives he impacted during his lifetime.

IN MEMORY OF CYNTHIA MEADOW

HON. JERROLD NADLER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. NADLER. Madam Speaker, I rise to offer my most sincere condolences to the family and friends of Cynthia K. Watkins Meadow, who passed away on April 25, 2019. Cynthia was a long-time congressional staffer and dedicated public servant.

Cynthia was born in Fort Smith, Arkansas, on July 27, 1941. She graduated from Fort Smith High School, attended Fort Smith Junior College, and graduated from Baylor University in 1964. Cynthia went on to obtain her law degree from Catholic University, attending night school while working as a congressional staffer.

Cynthia's 30-year career on Capitol Hill began on the staff of U.S. Senator Ralph Yarborough and culminated on the House Judiciary Committee under Chairman Jack Brooks, where she rose to become Chief Counsel of the Subcommittee on Economic and Commercial Law. She also served on the professional staff of the House Government Operations Committee's Subcommittee on Legislation and National Security.

One of the more important bills Cynthia worked on for the Judiciary Committee was the Americans with Disabilities Act. Cynthia helped then-Chairman Brooks use sign language during hearings and markups on the legislation, for the benefit of members of the public who were hearing impaired. To show his appreciation, Chairman Brooks sent Cynthia a floral arrangement afterwards. As she told her co-workers, she was quite surprised and delighted by his gesture.

Following her retirement from Capitol Hill in January 1995, Cynthia attended and graduated from the Baptist Seminary in Richmond, Virginia. Continuing her lifelong dedication to helping others, she served as an ordained Deacon at University Baptist Church in College Park, Maryland.

Cynthia is survived by her husband Joseph F. Meadow and her son Michael Joseph, who works for the Architect of the Capitol, as well as her sisters, Sandy and Gloria, and many in-laws, nephews, and nieces.

Cynthia's good work and deeds will long be remembered by her many friends on Capitol Hill, in the Washington area, and around the Nation.

HONORING THE LEGACY OF DR.
CHIN HOUI LIN

HON. BRIAN BABIN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. BABIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory and legacy of Dr. Chin Houi Lin of Houston, Texas.

Dr. Chin Houi Lin was born in the rural village Putian County in Fujian Province, China on October 4, 1942. At the age of 7, he and most of his family fled China and moved to Taiwan. In 1960, Chin entered the Chemical Engineering Department at the National Taiwan University. He was admitted with the

highest test scores of any student in that program that year and went with the dream of being an engineer like his father.

In 1964, Chin met his dream girl, Jen-Ching (Grace) Chang. They married on July 10, 1966. Soon after, he received a full scholarship to the Chemical Engineering graduate program at Rice University in Houston, Texas. When Chin's PhD advisor moved to another university, Chin taught himself to work on IBM computers on the forefront of scientific computing technology, still managing to complete his PhD in four years.

Afterwards, he became a dedicated aerospace engineer at NASA Johnson Space Center (JSC) in 1980, where he stayed until his retirement in 2007. While at NASA Chin developed heat pipes to cool spacecraft, computer models of thermal regulation in space suits, and two-phase flow computer simulations. Eventually, Chin became the Branch Chief of the Thermal Systems Branch of the Crew and Thermal Systems Division of NASA. During his time at NASA he was awarded two Exceptional Service Medals and granted a patent for the "Inflatable Spacecraft Module", which was awarded the NASA Government Invention of the Year for 2017.

Chin is remembered as a man of few words, preferring to lead by example and express love through his actions. He showed his family and friends how to be strong while gentle and kind, and how to accomplish great things while remaining humble. We thank Dr. Chin Houi Lin for his contributions to NASA and for his legacy of lasting servitude.

Madam Speaker, my condolences remain with the family, community, and friends of Dr. Chin Houi Lin.

RECOGNIZING EVIDENT LIFE
CHURCH'S TEN-YEAR ANNIVERSARY

HON. ANDY BIGGS

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. BIGGS. Madam Speaker, this summer, Evident Life Church in Gilbert, Arizona celebrates its ten-year anniversary. I join with Pastor Eric Jones, his wife Velvet, and members of their congregation in celebrating this achievement.

Starting a new venture—especially building a church community and foundation—is never easy. It takes courage, perseverance, and faith to step forward to begin this process. Over the past ten years, Pastor Jones, his family, and his leadership team have endured both trials and triumphs and have always risen to the occasion with the help of our Creator. They have cultivated a thriving church that is a beacon of hope in our community.

Evident Life Church is extremely active throughout the East Valley. Pastor Jones serves as the co-chairman for my faith council, and his prayers and encouragement sustain me and many of our public servants each and every day.

I'm thankful for Pastor Jones, his wife Velvet, and the entire team at Evident Life Church. To all the pastors, ministers, coordinators, and members: have a wonderful celebration, and may their church enjoy many decades of fruitful ministry.

TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF CORNELIA
DOZIER COOPER

HON. HAROLD ROGERS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to one of Eastern Kentucky's most dedicated philanthropes of the arts, Cornelia Dozier Cooper, who has been awarded the prestigious Milner Award, presented by Governor Matt Bevin as part of the 2018–2019 Governor's Awards in the Arts. This award recognizes individuals and organizations who make extraordinary and significant contributions to the arts in Kentucky.

Cornelia Dozier Cooper has embodied passion for the visual, fine, and performing arts throughout her impressive career in Pulaski County. Not only is Cornelia an accomplished artist herself, having studied English watercolor at Oxford University and shadowing an impressive and diverse group of artists ranging from local masters at the University of Kentucky to artists in France and Italy, but an ardent proponent of the development of art and art education across Kentucky. Patrons and artists from across the state are grateful for Cornelia's lifetime support of art: for the time and financial resources that she and her late husband, Richard Cooper, have given to promote community arts and cultural growth in the region. Through their tremendous influence, the Coopers have encouraged involvement in the arts and created an enriching, exciting environment in which the people of the Commonwealth of Kentucky may participate and enjoy for generations to come.

Among her long list of accolades includes that she is a founding member of the Kentucky Arts Council, founding member and President of the Lake Cumberland Performing Arts Series, Inc, the only female member of the Governor's Mansion Commission to "Save the Mansion," was appointed by the University of Kentucky Board of Trustees to top serve on the McDowell Cancer Network Board, President of the Somerset Garden Club, Chair of the Fountain Square Foundation in Somerset, Kentucky, an original member of the Kentucky Arts and Crafts Foundation, and a member of the University of Kentucky Museum Board. She is President of the Cornelia Dozier Cooper Endowment Fund, a nonprofit organization to benefit and promote the arts in Pulaski County and the surrounding region. The Endowment awards several \$1000 grants each year to support and encourage the arts in Eastern Kentucky and regularly supports local artists and an array of outstanding programs in professional arts and cultural events in Somerset, Kentucky, and the surrounding region. Cornelia donates the proceeds of her paintings' sales to the Endowment Fund. Cornelia has been awarded the Master Musicians Festival Lifetime Achievement Award and the East Kentucky Foundation Outstanding Citizen Award in 2006. The "Cooper Building" on the campus of Somerset Community College was dedicated to the philanthropy of Cornelia and Richard Cooper for their philanthropy to both Somerset Community College and the University of Kentucky.

At 93 years old, this lifelong Kentuckian, Cornelia Dozier Cooper, is known and beloved by all for her "tireless enthusiasm," and is re-

garded as a "personal hero and mentor" to many throughout Eastern Kentucky. In addition to serving the community, she is a mother of two children, four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

The Milner Award is an honor fitting for Ms. Cornelia Dozier Cooper in recognition of a lifetime of devotion to art, education, and the positive impact that she has made, and is continuing to provide, on Eastern Kentucky through her service to the arts. I am deeply grateful for Cornelia's love and commitment to the arts. My wife, Cynthia, and I wish Cornelia and her family immense joy and blessings in the years to come.

ADRIAN MEYERS 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. LONG. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the fabulous life of Adrian Meyers, who turned 100 on April 4 this year.

Adrian was born and raised in Kenton, Tennessee, graduating from high school there in 1937. She went on to attend the University of Tennessee-Martin for two years before transferring to Murray State University where she graduated with a bachelor's of science in chemistry.

Not long after graduating, Adrian accepted a fellowship at the University of Kentucky where she received her master's degree in mathematics while serving as a graduate assistant. After earning her degree, she returned to Kenton to take care of her father. However, she continued her teaching career, eventually becoming an associate professor of mathematics at Illinois State University, where she taught for 18 years.

One of the many highlights of Adrian's long career was attending the National Science Foundation Institute in San Jose, California. It also happened to be the place she met her future husband, Dr. W.H. Meyers.

After a long career in education, Adrian and her husband decided to use retirement to travel. They went to various locations all across the U.S. and Europe. This is a woman who has always stayed very informed in current events, listening to several commentators daily. Her husband passed away a few years ago, sadly, and she has since relocated to Springfield, Missouri, to be near family.

Madam Speaker, it is evident that Adrian Meyers has lived a beautiful life. She spent her entire professional career graciously serving as a public-school teacher, which is beyond laudable. America owes her a debt of gratitude for her many years of service, and I am honored to rise today, recognizing this extraordinary life.

REMEMBERING ARNOLDO "ARNIE"
CABELLO

HON. ADAM KINZINGER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 30, 2019

Mr. KINZINGER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and remember the life of one

of my constituents, Mr. Arnaldo “Arnie” Cabello.

Arnie proudly served in the Army and was stationed in Germany during the Korean Defense. He was a loving husband and caring father. Mr. Cabello will forever be remembered for his service to his nation and to his community.

His perpetual selflessness, characterized by a life of service, began with enlistment in the

United States Army and continued through his work for fellow service members with the Korean War Veterans Association (KWVA 272), the Rockford Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the American Legion.

Mr. Cabello exemplified public service by his community involvement, participating in local government as a Trustee for Harlem Township, membership in the Knights of Columbus,

and as director of the Phantom Regiment Cadets.

Arnie was a generous man that faithfully served his God, country, and community. But most of all, Arnie loved his family. Madam Speaker, it is a privilege for me to honor the life of this man on the floor of the House of Representatives.