

powers.”—GACC CFO Will Senn (Founder of Urban Leaf)

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HONORING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF PERFECTING CHURCH

**HON. RASHIDA TLAIB**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 8, 2019*

Ms. TLAIB. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Perfecting Church, a growing ministry and house of worship in Detroit, on its thirtieth anniversary.

Perfecting Church held its first service in 1989 in the home of Pastor Marvin L. Winans with a congregation of only eight people. The church and its congregation grew quickly and found its self in need of a building before ultimately settling into its current home on Detroit's east side. The church's final move was symbolic of two of its guiding principles, unity and serving others. Since its opening, Perfecting Church's mission to serve and bring community together has been reflected in its outstanding charitable work and its service-based programs. Under the leadership of Pastor Winans, Perfecting Church has expanded its services to include youth programming, performing arts, as well as transitional housing for women in the community. Perfecting Church is a community asset to Detroit and has truly become an integral part of its faith-based community.

Please join me in tribute to Perfecting Church in honor of its thirtieth anniversary and its ongoing community service.

RECOGNIZING ORANGE COUNTY CONSERVATION CORPS FOR 25 YEARS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE AND ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

**HON. HARLEY ROUDA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 8, 2019*

Mr. ROUDA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Orange County Conservation Corps (OCCC) and its 25 years of service in the Orange County, California community. OCCC was founded in 1993 and is a voluntary work and learn program for at-risk and disadvantaged youth ages 18 to 25.

Over the course of the last quarter century, OCCC has provided career guidance and workforce training to more than 8,000 young adults. Because of the OCCC's hard work and dedication, Corps members have received more than \$1.5 million in financial assistance, received pay for nearly two million hours of work and job training, and have earned over 3,000 high school diplomas and job certificates.

OCCC's dedication to the young adults of Orange County is only rivaled by their dedication to environmental stewardship and conservation. Since its founding, OCCC has protected and restored nearly 3,000 acres of public land, diverted 9,000 tons of recyclable ma-

terial from landfills, and planted more than 120,000 native plants and trees. They exemplify true dedication to Orange County and our communities' public lands.

I ask that all Members join me in recognizing the amazing work and contribution of OCCC.

RECOGNIZING RICK AND MARY MCQUEARY

**HON. BILLY LONG**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 8, 2019*

Mr. LONG. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the incredible work and life of Rick and Mary McQueary.

Rick McQueary and Mary Haseltine McQueary are a couple with a deep love and respect for the rich history in Springfield and Greene County. Each of their families arrived in Greene County in the mid to late 1800s. Rick's family began a pharmacy business in Ash Grove, Missouri and later moved it to Springfield where it grew into the premier drug wholesaler in southwest Missouri. Mary's family was active in farming and had the largest apple orchards in Missouri. Others in her family, including her father, were interested in practicing law and were noted lawyers in the area. Family stories fostered a love of learning about the history of this community still exist for both of them today.

Mary currently serves as the president of the Board of Directors of History Museum on the Square, has been an active volunteer with the Museum for over 19 years, and has spent the last several years spearheading the development and construction of the Museum's new facility that opened in August of 2019. She and Rick are the co-chairs of the capital campaign for the Museum and she has served as the project manager for the Museum's construction project, overseeing a team of industry professionals, steering the direction of museum content, writing copy and even picking out finishes. This project is one of the largest historic revitalization projects in downtown Springfield. The ultra-modern History Museum on the Square is projected to attract 30,000 visitors each year with galleries featuring the Birthplace of Route 66, the first Wild West shootout with Wild Bill Hickok, and many other stories of the unique Ozarks crossroads.

Rick and Mary have been able to show others that historic buildings and local history are worth preserving. The new facility allows the Museum to provide additional educational and community programming for both children and adults. Downtown is the heart of our community and this museum is the perfect place to tell the rich history of Springfield. So much of the area's history occurred right outside the windows of the Museum—the Trail of Tears, Civil War encampments, the first quick draw shootout in the Wild West, the Butterfield-Overland Stage route, and Route 66. Preserving and promoting this history while also contributing to downtown revitalization and improved tourism is a gift to the entire community.

Their love of this community is only rivaled by the great love they have for their alma mater Greenwood Laboratory School and surpassed by their love for their family. They

have been married for forty-four years and have three children and eight grandchildren.

Rick and Mary's willingness to serve has led them to participate in all parts of the community including boards of major medical facilities, schools, universities, civic organizations, and their church. They have worked tirelessly to better the community they love so dearly. The History Museum on the Square is proud to award them the inaugural William F. "Rick" McQueary and Mary Haseltine McQueary Groundbreaker Award for their years of dedicated service to the preservation and display of the history of Springfield and Greene County. This award will now be presented annually to an individual, family or corporation making significant contributions to the History Museum on the Square and its mission.

Madam Speaker, it is clear the McQueary's have an unbelievable love for their community and its history and am honored to be able to recognize them today.

RECOGNIZING THE WORKERS AT THE ADVANCED MIXED WASTE TREATMENT PLANT

**HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON**

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 8, 2019*

Mr. SIMPSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today with great respect and gratitude for the 480 men and women of the Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project (AMWTP) as they complete the facility's waste treatment mission for the State of Idaho and the country.

The State of Idaho didn't generate the waste treated at AMWTP, but the citizens of Idaho along with the entire nation benefitted from our nation's unrelenting drive to keep the peace through our strength. In many ways, the waste that the AMWTP team retrieved, characterized, treated, certified, and shipped out of the state was the byproduct of our freedom. It was the legacy of the Cold War. Through their hard work, dedication, and sacrifices, they helped close the chapter on this part of the Cold War.

In addition to the AMWTP employees, we owe Idaho governors Cecil Andrus, John Evans, Dirk Kempthorne, Jim Risch, Phil Batt, C.L. "Butch" Otter, and Brad Little a great thanks for their insistence that this waste would not remain in Idaho in perpetuity over our precious Snake River Plain Aquifer. Our aquifer, our citizens, and our nation are safer with this waste safely disposed of at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant.

We also owe the Department of Energy (DOE) a heartfelt thank you for committing to this project in the mid-1990s and staying with it until the end. It wasn't easy; it wasn't without contention or disagreements, but all sides worked together for a common goal of success.

The contractors that have been associated with the AMWTP also must be recognized, from BNFL Inc., to Bechtel BWXT, to the Idaho Treatment Group, to the current contractor; Fluor Idaho. The amount of ingenuity, engineering, and technology at this waste treatment facility is unmatched anywhere else in the world. AMWTP, backed by the DOE and its contractors and committed management and employees, had the brawn and brains to