

the sole purpose of recognizing and thanking those who put their lives on the line on behalf of our communities.

This is exactly the type of initiative that represents the true values of the good people in my district. While I am humbled by, and grateful for, their efforts, I am not surprised by this true reflection of their priorities and their character.

The often thankless undertakings of our men and women in public safety are what keep the fabric of our great nation together by saving our lives, protecting our property and providing peace of mind in an often chaotic world. On behalf of the people of Northeast Georgia, I want to thank the Rotary Club of Jasper and Georgia Mountains Hospice for making Public Safety Employees a priority.

HONORING THE ADIRONDACK DAILY ENTERPRISE'S 125TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 8, 2019

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor The Adirondack Daily Enterprise on their 125th year in operation.

Charles W. Lansing of Plattsburgh and Carl D. Smith of Malone established the Adirondack Enterprise in 1895 and on February 21st of that year, the first issue of the paper was published. Through mergers with other papers and continual improvement, they soon became one of the preeminent newspapers in northern New York. They have seen highs and lows over the years notably, when the Harrietstown Town Hall, which housed the paper, burned to the ground. Despite this setback, the paper continued to publish uninterrupted. In 1926, from their historic headquarters at the Old Enterprise Building, the Adirondack Enterprise ramped up to daily publication and became the institution we know today. The Adirondack Daily Enterprise remains a historic institution in the North Country. It is the only daily paper to serve the Adirondack Region, delivering important local news so that residents can stay informed about their community.

On behalf on New York's 21st Congressional District, I want to congratulate the Adirondack Daily Enterprise team for reaching this historic milestone. Local news outlets are an important component of the long-term health of a community and I look forward to them continuing to serve in that role into the future.

RECOGNIZING SERGEANT MAJOR MICHAEL GRINSTON ON HIS SELECTION TO BECOME THE SIXTEENTH SERGEANT MAJOR OF THE U.S. ARMY

HON. ROBERT B. ADERHOLT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 8, 2019

Mr. ADERHOLT. Madam Speaker, I would like to recognize Sergeant Major Michael Grinston on his selection to become the sixteenth Sergeant Major of the United States Army.

Having grown up in Jasper, Alabama, in Alabama's Fourth Congressional District, Sergeant Major of the Army Grinston enlisted in the Army in 1987 to serve as an artilleryman. During his thirty-two years in the Army, his deployments included two tours each to Operation Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom, as well as Desert Shield/Desert Storm and a deployment to Kosovo. He also served as the senior enlisted leader for the Army's first deployment of a division headquarters, with the First Infantry Division, in support of Operation Inherent Resolve from October 2014 to June 2015.

In addition to serving as the I Corps Command Sergeant Major, Sergeant Major of the Army Grinston most recently served as the senior enlisted leader for U.S. Army Forces Command (FORSCOM), the U.S. Army's largest command. He is a combat veteran who has served in every level of leadership from gunner to his current role as the United States Army's senior enlisted leader.

His awards and decorations include the Army Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (two awards), and five Bronze Stars (two with "V" devices). He has earned the Ranger tab, Master Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Drill Sergeant Identification Badge, and the Combat Action Badge.

Sergeant Major of the Army Grinston earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration from the University of Maryland University College.

Madam Speaker, it is a great privilege to recognize such an accomplished and dedicated leader. I join his family, friends and colleagues in wishing him the greatest success in this new role.

INTRODUCTION OF THE VETERANS LEGAL SUPPORT ACT OF 2019

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 8, 2019

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, today, I introduce the Veterans Legal Support Act of 2019, which would allow the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to provide support to law school clinical programs that provide pro bono legal and support services to veterans, including assistance with disability claims and appeals and foreclosures. There are already at least 22 law schools that have clinics devoted to veterans' legal needs, including the William & Mary Law School Veterans Benefits Clinic, which serves as a national model for this idea and was the first recipient of a "best practice" certification from the VA. There are many other law schools, such as the University of the District of Columbia's David A. Clarke School of Law, that are interested in starting their own VA-certified clinics.

More than 400,000 veterans are waiting for their disability claims to be processed by the VA. With the assistance of lawyers and law professors, clinical programs provide free legal resources to assist veterans in processing their claims. My bill would merely build on what some law schools have begun to do for the last several years. More needs to be done to sustain and increase these programs.

I was a tenured professor of law and continued to teach one seminar after being elected

to Congress. I saw the expert assistance that clinical programs provide.

I urge my colleagues to support this bill, a concrete measure that would assist our veterans, who have repeatedly put their lives on the line for this country.

RECOGNIZING AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. BILL HUIZENGA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 8, 2019

Mr. HUIZENGA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the American Legion Auxiliary, the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization.

The American Legion Auxiliary is a premier service organization that has been a vital asset to our community. By providing support for our veterans, our military, and their families, the American Legion Auxiliary shapes a positive future in an atmosphere of fellowship, patriotism, and peace.

Founded in 1919, the American Legion Auxiliary boasts almost one million members from a range of different backgrounds. This past year, the organization oversaw more than 40 million volunteer hours and raised \$37 million for charities across the US.

Specifically, the American Legion Auxiliary's West Michigan chapter, Roger B. Chaffee Post 154, has been a pillar in our community through their support of veterans, sponsorship of local events, and youth development. Their tireless work has dramatically increased the quality of life for veterans and their families across West Michigan.

The post gets their name from the late Roger B. Chaffee, an American naval officer, aeronautical engineer, and NASA astronaut in the Apollo program. Roger B. Chaffee grew up in West Michigan and graduated from Central High School in Grand Rapids, Michigan, where he excelled in academics and became an Eagle Scout. Sadly, Roger perished in the Apollo 1 fire on January 27, 1967, but his legacy continues to live on throughout our country and in West Michigan.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating the American Legion Auxiliary and the Roger B. Chaffee Post 154 for their 100 years of dedicated service to veterans throughout our country and in West Michigan.

CONGRATULATING YOUNG AMERICA'S FOUNDATION ON THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR FOUNDING

HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 8, 2019

Mr. PERRY. Madam Speaker, today I offer my heartfelt congratulations to the Young America's Foundation (YAF) on 50 successful years of promoting Conservative ideals to the youth of our Nation.

Beginning in 1969 at Vanderbilt University, YAF has shaped itself as the preeminent organization in promoting and defending American