

CONGRATULATING GREATER SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

(Mr. KELLER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. KELLER. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of Pennsylvania's 12th Congressional District, congratulations to the Greater Susquehanna Valley Chamber of Commerce on being named the Chamber of the Year by the Pennsylvania Association of Chamber Professionals.

Located in Shamokin Dam, the Greater Susquehanna Valley Chamber has been in operation for 99 years and is a conglomeration of other local chambers, some of which are older than the main organization. It was named Chamber of the Year based upon its organizational strengths, including programs that encourage networking and a chamber ambassador program.

The chamber's most recent success is in attracting Luzerne County Community College to open a branch campus in Watson town, Pennsylvania. Chamber officials credit its success to the work of its members and staff working together to achieve positive economic outcomes for the people of the Greater Susquehanna Valley.

Again, congratulations to the Greater Susquehanna Valley Chamber of Commerce and to president and CEO Bob Garrett on receiving the Chamber of the Year award.

SUPPORT DACA AND JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM REFORM

(Ms. JACKSON LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, let me speak to a young man in my office who is studying at St. Edwards College in Austin, Texas. He is a person who is able to fulfill his dreams because of DACA.

Yesterday, the Supreme Court heard the case about all of these young people, 800,000 who are working as paramedics, in medical school, in law school, going into rural communities and being servants of the people, some wanting to go into the United States military. Here is a program that was working well, and this administration imploded it because of wrongheaded decisions about immigrants.

This is a nation of laws and of immigrants. We want to comply with the law. That is what DACA was allowing these young people to do.

We need to restore DACA, work together so that young people all over, no matter what walk of life they come from, can have opportunity.

At the same time, I am looking to reform the juvenile justice system. Most people don't know that when you go into a juvenile detention center, there is no sentence, and there is no bail. The bail process is complicated.

We are looking to provide what we call an omnibus bill to deal with how

we treat juveniles to ensure that we don't throw away lives; that if you have a mistake at the age of 12 or 14, your life is in front of you; and that we help parents with wraparound services.

What I hear most of all is a parent saying: "Help me. I don't know where to go. I don't have the resources."

A nation as great as America can invest in her children, whether it is the DACA status of our young children attempting to be part of this Nation or whether or not, in fact, it is those young people who made a slight wrong turn and are thrown away for years in detention centers that are like jails. We are a nation that can do better.

And, yes, God bless our veterans.

RECOGNIZING CITIES FOR TREE CITY USA DESIGNATION

(Mr. TAYLOR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. TAYLOR. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to recognize eight cities in Texas' Third Congressional District that have received this year's Tree City USA designation by the Arbor Day Foundation.

Allen, Fairview, Frisco, McKinney, Murphy, Plano, Prosper, and Wylie, all located in Collin County, have proven they care about ensuring the environment around them is thriving and full of life.

These Collin County cities understand that trees serve an integral purpose in our community, including improved health, clean air and water, and a positive impact on business and homes in the area. Not only are these communities dedicated to providing necessary municipal tree care, but they are encouraging their residents to do the same.

I commend these cities for their investments in green infrastructure and for creating a lasting, positive impact for generations to come.

I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in congratulating these eight communities on their efforts to maintain healthy and green environments and neighborhoods.

HONORING MEMORY OF JAY KISTLER

(Mr. RIGGLEMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. RIGGLEMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of a dear friend, Jay Kistler. Jay passed away on October 14 of this year, after a life of heroism and bravery. He was 71 years old.

He had been married to his wonderful wife, Sheila, for almost 50 years, and he was the father of Brooke, Kerri, and Jay Kistler III.

Jay retired as a Navy captain and retired as the government lead for the Electronic Warfare and Counter-

measures Office. Jay's forward-looking vision allowed him to project capabilities and actions decades into the future. He was respected by his peers, his subordinates, and his superiors. He was our adversary's worst nightmare.

I will miss him as a naval flight officer, a commander, a decorated veteran, a family man, and my mentor.

You changed everyone's life for the better, Jay. Fair winds and following seas, Captain.

DEMOCRATS DELIVERING ON AGENDA FOR AMERICAN PEOPLE

(Mr. CICILLINE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. CICILLINE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remind our Republican colleagues how much work has been done by the House Democrats.

There has been a lot of discussion about the ongoing impeachment inquiry. While that work is being done, we have been hard at work, delivering on our agenda for the people of this country: driving down healthcare costs, driving down the cost of prescription drugs, raising family incomes with a real emphasis on rebuilding the crumbling infrastructure of America, taking on self-dealing and corruption in Washington, and getting the government to work for the people of this country again.

In that effort, we have passed over 300 pieces of legislation: 10 healthcare bills, 4 that will reduce the cost of prescription drugs; raising family incomes by raising the minimum wage for 33 million Americans and providing equal pay for equal work; universal background checks; restoring net neutrality; preventing our separating out of the Paris climate accord; a new veterans tax credit; and on and on. Eighty percent of those bills are sitting on MITCH MCCONNELL's desk, awaiting action.

Maybe most importantly, we passed H.R. 1, the biggest anticorruption bill passed by Congress since Watergate.

Again, 80 percent of those bills are awaiting action in the Senate.

The Senate doesn't have to pass the version we passed. This is a legislative process. Bring it to the floor, amend it, send it back, but do your job.

The American people are expecting us to deliver on the promises that we made to get government to work for the people of this country again.

IMPEACHMENT IMPOSES OPPORTUNITY COST

(Mr. MEUSER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MEUSER. Mr. Speaker, the impeachment hearings are continuing, in spite of the following factors existing.

Number one, this is a very unfair process. If Democratic leadership was truly interested in determining guilt or innocence, why not establish bipartisan rules and procedures allowing the President due process?