House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. Dingell).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC, November 26, 2019.

I hereby appoint the Honorable Debbie Dingell to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

PRAYER
Chaplain Lieutenant Jeffrey E. Spindle, U.S. Navy, Cryptologic Warfare Group SIX, Fort Meade, Maryland, offered the following prayer:

Creator God, You are good and Your love endures forever.

Thank You for this great day that You have made. Be with all who serve and speak in this Chamber today. As we serve the people of our Nation, grant us Your wisdom. Protect and make us mindful of those who are fighting and serve away from their families this holiday season. Use those who fight for the poor and powerless of our Nation.

Unite us, Holy Spirit, with civility and collaboration. Give us Your light and make us mindful of those who are fighting and serve away from their families this holiday season. Use those who fight for the poor and powerless of our Nation.

Thank You for this great day that You have made. Be with all who serve and speak in this Chamber today. As we serve the people of our Nation, grant us Your wisdom. Protect and make us mindful of those who are fighting and serve away from their families this holiday season. Use those who fight for the poor and powerless of our Nation.

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This we pray in Your holy name.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 713, the Journal of the last day’s proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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COMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE
The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
WASHINGTON, DC, November 25, 2019.

Hon. Nancy Pelosi,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

Dear Madam Speaker: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on November 25, 2019, at 12:27 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2325.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2334.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2461.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3144.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3314.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Cheryl L. Johnson.

SENATE BILLS REFERRED
Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker’s table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 333. An act to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to work with cybersecurity consortia for training, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

S. 900. An act to designate the community-based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Bozeman, Montana, as the “Travis W. Atkins Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic”; to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

S. 1430. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to prevent fraud by representative payees; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

S. 1846. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide for engagements with State, local, Tribal, and territorial governments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security; in addition, to the Committee on Oversight and Reform and to the Committee on Energy and Commerce for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

S. 2193. An act to require the Administrator of General Services to issue guidance to clarify that Federal agencies may pay by charge card for the charging of Federal electric motor vehicles, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

S. 2712. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 430 South Knowles Avenue in New Richmond, Wisconsin, as the "Travis W. Atkins Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic."
Wisconsin, as the “Captain Robert C. Har- 
mon and Private John R. Peirson Post Office 
Building”: to the Committee on Oversight 
and Reform.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant 
to section 2(b) of House Resolution 
713, the House stands adjourned until 
noon on Friday, November 29, 2019.

Thereupon (at 2 o’clock and 3 min- 
utes p.m.), under its previous order, the 
House adjourned until Friday, Novem- 
ber 29, 2019, at noon.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive 
communications were taken from the 
Speaker’s table and referred as follows:

3100. A letter from the Regulatory Spe- 
cialist, Chief Counsel’s Office, Office of 
the Comptroller of the Currency, Department 
of the Treasury, transmitting the Department’s 
final rule — Regulatory Capital Rule: Cap- 
ital Simplification for Qualifying Commu- 
inity Banking Organizations [Docket ID: 
OCC-2018-0040] (RIN: 1557-AE59) received 
November 19, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 
801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 
Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

3101. A letter from the Program Specialist, 
Chief Counsel’s Office, Office of the Com- 
troller of the Currency, Department of the 
Treasury, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Prohibitions and Restrictions on 
Proprietary Trading and Certain Interests 
in, and Relationships With, Hedge Funds and 
Private Equity Funds [Docket No.: OCC-2018- 
0010] (RIN: 1557-AE27) received November 19, 
2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public 
Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

3102. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the national emergency with respect to Nicaragua, declared in Executive Order Number 13382, dated July 22, 2005, is to con- tinue in effect beyond November 27, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public 
Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

3103. A letter from the Assistant Legal Ad- viser, Office of Treaty Affairs, Department of 
State, transmitting information concerning 
international agreements other than treaties 
entered into by the United States to be 
transmitted to the Congress within the 
sixty-day period specified in the Case-Zab- 
blocki Act, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112(a); Pub- 
lic Law 92-403, Sec. 1(a) (as amended by Pub- 
lic Law 104-121, Sec. 277, 151(b)); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Overseas 
and Urban Development.

3104. A letter from the Chairman, Council 
of the District of Columbia, transmitting 
D.C. Act 23-164, “Intra-District Transfer 
Limitation Temporary Amendment Act of 2019”, 
pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and 
Reform.

3105. A letter from the Chairman, Council 
of the District of Columbia, transmitting 
D.C. Act 23-162, “Sanctuary Values Tem- 
porary Amendment Act of 2019”, pursuant to 
Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 
814); to the Committee on Oversight and 
Reform.

3106. A letter from the Chairman, Council 
of the District of Columbia, transmitting 
D.C. Act 23-163, “MLK Gateway Real 
Property Tax Abatement Amendment Act of 2019", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight 
and Reform.

3107. A letter from the Chairman, Council 
of the District of Columbia, transmitting 
D.C. Act 23-158, “Attorney General Grant- 
Making Authority Temporary Amendment 
Act of 2019”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight 
and Reform.

3108. A letter from the Chairman, Council 
of the District of Columbia, transmitting 
D.C. Act 23-159, “Investigating Maternal Mi-
ralties Temporary Amendment Act of 2019", 
pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight 
and Reform.

3109. A letter from the Chairman, Council 
of the District of Columbia, transmitting 
D.C. Act 23-157, “Student Activity Fund The-
oretical and Material Financial Provisions 
Amendment Act of 2019", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight 
and Reform.

3110. A letter from the Chairman, Council 
of the District of Columbia, transmitting 
D.C. Act 23-160, “Student Activity Fund The-
oretical and Material Financial Provisions 
Amendment Act of 2019", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight 
and Reform.

3111. A letter from the Administrator, De-
partment of Health and Human Services, 
transmitting a notification of a discontinu-
ance of service in acting role, pursuant to 5 
U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on 
Oversight and Reform.

3112. A letter from the Senior Advisor, De-
partment of Health and Human Services, 
transmitting a notification of a nomination, 
pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-
277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Com-
mittee on Oversight and Reform.

3113. A letter from the Senior Advisor, De-
partment of Health and Human Services, 
transmitting a notification of a nomination, 
pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-
277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Com-
mittee on Oversight and Reform.

3114. A letter from the Deputy General 
Counsel for Operations, Department of 
Housing and Urban Development, transmitt- 
ing a notification of a nomination, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-
277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Com-
mittee on Oversight and Reform.

3115. A letter from the Chairman, National 
Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to establish a 
Sustainable Chemistry Task Force, pursuant to Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on 
Energy and Commerce. H.R. 4018. A bill to provide that the 
amount of good time credits earned by 
the prisoner, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116-311). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Ms. JOHNSON of Texas: Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H.R. 2051. A bill to provide for Federal coordination of activities supporting sustainable chemistry, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116-312, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. PETERSON: Committee on Agriculture. H.R. 409. A bill to authorize the 
Commodity Futures Trading Commission; with an amendment (Rept. 116-313). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GRIJALVA: Committee on Natural Re-
sources. H.R. 1747. A bill to encourage part-
nerships among public agencies and other 
interested persons to promote fish conserva-
tion; with an amendment (Rept. 116-314). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GRIJALVA: Committee on Natural Re-
sources. H.R. 2189. A bill to require the Sec-
ty of Commerce, the Department of 
Commerce, the Secretary of the Interior, and the 
Administrator of the National Oceanic and 
Atmospheric Administration, to establish a
constituent-driven program to provide a digital information platform capable of efficiently integrating coastal data with decision-support tools, training, and best practices to the collection of coastal geospatial data to inform and improve local, State, regional, and Federal capacities to manage the coastal region, and for other purposes: with an amendment (Rept. 116-315). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

**MS. GRIJALVA: Committee on Natural Resources.** By Mr. MCGRATH and Ms. SCHNEIDER, for herself, Mr. IGARASHI, and Mr. BOATNER, for the bill to direct the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to make grants to State and local governments and nongovernmental organizations for purposes of carrying out climate-resilient living shoreline projects that protect coastal communities by supporting ecosystem functions and habitats with the use of natural materials and systems, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116-316). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

**DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE.** Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on the Budget discharged further consideration. H.R. 2051 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

**PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.** Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. GRAMM: (for herself, Ms. MOORE, and Mr. RUSH):

H.R. 5266. A bill to provide for the enhancement of urban agriculture, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. SACHSKY:

H.R. 5267. A bill to provide for payment of proceeds from savings bonds to a State with title to such bonds pursuant to the judgment of the United States Code, to prevent individuals who are not members of Indian tribes from receiving Indian tribe benefits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 5268. A bill to amend table 18, United States Code, to prevent individuals who are not members of Indian tribes from receiving Indian tribe benefits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 5269. A bill to provide for the payment of proceeds from savings bonds to a State with title to such bonds pursuant to the judgment of a court; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 5270. A bill to provide for the payment of proceeds from savings bonds to a State with title to such bonds pursuant to the judgment of a court; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 5271. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 2018 to improve the earned income tax credit; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 5272. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to require lenders to refer certain borrowers to a small business development center, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

H.R. 5273. A bill to make continuing appropriations for the Coast Guard; to the Committee on Appropriations.

H.R. 5274. A bill to make continuing appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal year 2020; to the Committee on Appropriations.

H.R. 5275. A bill to make continuing appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal year 2020; to the Committee on Appropriations.

H.R. 5276. A bill to require a report describing whether certain persons meet the criteria to be sanctioned pursuant to the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act for violating the human rights of Iraqis, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. RIGGLEMAN (for himself, Mr. Scalise, Mr. Poliquin, Mr. Walorski, Ms. Moore, Mr. Gallego, Mr. Lance, Mr. Pappas, Mr. Tonko, Mr. Meeks, Mr. Casper, Mr. Serrano, Mr. Brighton, Mr. Schakowsky, Mr. Emanuel, Mr. Yarmuth, Mr. Torres, Mr. and Ms. Grijalva, Mr. and Ms. Sanchez, Mr. and Ms. Coen, Mr. and Ms. Casten):
CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution and the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Ms. GABRAID:
H.R. 5266.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
The United States Constitution including Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1: The Congress shall have Power...To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.
By Mr. CLAY:
H.R. 5268.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3: Congress shall have Power...To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS
Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 3: Mr. Bishop of Georgia.
H.R. 20: Mr. LaHood and Mr. Bishop of North Carolina.
H.R. 51: Mr. Lamb.
H.R. 141: Mr. Torrez.
H.R. 303: Mr. Murphy of North Carolina.
H.R. 497: Mr. Delgado and Mr. Rodney Davis of Illinois.
H.R. 649: Mr. Cárdenas.
H.R. 713: Mr. Duitch.
H.R. 838: Mr. Hastings and Mr. Bilirakis.
H.R. 912: Mr. Sherman, Mr. Beyer, Mr. Duitch, Mrs. Davis of California, Mr. Tonko, and Mr. Schweikert.
H.R. 913: Mr. Butterfield.
H.R. 1042: Ms. Honda.
H.R. 1049: Mr. Larson of Connecticut and Mr. Lawson of Florida.
H.R. 1050: Mrs. Hayes.
H.R. 1146: Mr. Gomez, Mrs. Davis of California, Mr. Case, Mr. Deutch, Mr. O'Halleran, and Mr. Connolly.
H.R. 1175: Mr. Rose of New York, Ms. Lowchen, and Mr. Chisholm.
H.R. 1349: Ms. Sánchez.
H.R. 1370: Mr. Levin of Michigan.
H.R. 1407: Ms. DelBene, Mr. Lynch, and Mr. Clay.
H.R. 1488: Mr. Kilmer.
H.R. 1530: Mrs. Davis of California.
H.R. 1554: Mr. Rush.
H.R. 1679: Ms. Dean.
H.R. 1695: Mr. O'Halleran and Mr. Balbir Singh.
H.R. 1700: Mr. Walker.
H.R. 1782: Miss Rice of New York, Ms. Eshoo, and Mr. Ruppersberger.
H.R. 1796: Ms. Huell and Mr. Stirling.
H.R. 1838: Mr. Blumenauer.
H.R. 1942: Mr. DeFazio.
H.R. 1948: Mr. Eilis.
H.R. 1997: Mr. Joyce of Ohio.
H.R. 2153: Mr. Jeffries.
H.R. 2186: Ms. Houlahan.
H.R. 2168: Ms. Spanberger.
H.R. 2207: Mr. Levin of California.
H.R. 2215: Ms. Harris.
H.R. 2221: Mr. Neguse.
H.R. 2249: Mr. Neguse.
H.R. 2258: Ms. Finnekauer and Mr. Evans.
H.R. 2271: Ms. Sherrill and Ms. Spanberger.
H.R. 2315: Mr. Peters.
H.R. 2339: Mr. Malinowski.
H.R. 2455: Ms. Axne.
H.R. 2441: Mr. Frankel.
H.R. 2651: Mr. Gallego and Mr. Hoggins of New York.
H.R. 2699: Mr. Kinzinger.
H.R. 2746: Mr. Hagedorn.
H.R. 2776: Mrs. Hartzler.
H.R. 2775: Ms. Lawrence.
H.R. 2791: Ms. Moore.
H.R. 2858: Mr. O'Halleran.
H.R. 2867: Mr. Takano.
H.R. 2896: Mr. Case and Mr. Moulton.
H.R. 2983: Mr. Reed, Mr. Gottheimer, Mr. Smith of Missouri, Ms. Slotkin, Mr. Arthington, and Mr. Cabrera.
H.R. 3048: Mr. Gallego, Mr. Peters, and Ms. Craig.
H.R. 3073: Mr. Olson.
H.R. 3082: Mr. San Nicolas.
H.R. 3094: Mr. Cisneros, Ms. Tlaib, and Mr. Blumenauer.
H.R. 3138: Mr. Welch, Mr. Throne, and Ms. Wasserman Schultz.
H.R. 3137: Mr. Butterfield.
H.R. 3138: Mr. Hayes.
H.R. 3219: Mr. Peterson.
H.R. 3222: Mr. Danny K. Davis of Illinois.
H.R. 3272: Mr. Louigeti of California.
H.R. 3444: Mr. Nadler.
H.R. 3463: Mr. Lawson of Florida.
H.R. 3486: Mr. Guest, Mr. Newhouse, and Ms. Stefanik.
H.R. 3497: Mr. Chisholm and Ms. Wilson of Florida.
H.R. 3552: Ms. Westston.
H.R. 3564: Mr. Wright.
H.R. 3584: Mr. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Kim, Mr. Raskin, and Mr. Visloskey.
H.R. 3598: Mr. Carson of Indiana.
H.R. 3598: Mr. Raskin, Mrs. Bustos, Mr. Trone, and Mr. Kildee.
H.R. 3615: Mr. David P. Roe of Tennessee.
H.R. 3645: Ms. Tlaib and Mr. Horsford.
H.R. 3647: Mrs. Kirkpatrick.
H.R. 3711: Mrs. Davis of California.
H.R. 3742: Ms. Barragan and Mr. Gonzalez of Texas.
H.R. 3754: Mr. O'Halleran.
H.R. 3772: Mr. Phillips.
H.R. 3794: Mrs. Torres of California.
H.R. 3796: Mr. Clay.
H.R. 3861: Mr. Kim, Ms. Houlahan, and Mr. Chisholm.
H.R. 3897: Mr. Young.
H.R. 3936: Mr. Budd, Mr. Price of North Carolina, and Ms. Adams.
H.R. 4019: Mr. Cohen.
H.R. 4022: Mr. Raskin, Ms. Bass, and Mr. Scott of Virginia.
H.R. 4091: Mr. Baird, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Petters, Mr. Himes, Mr. Welch, Mr. Mulroy, Mr. Hurd of Texas, Ms. Stabenow, Ms. Houlahan, Mr. Gonzalez of Ohio, Mrs. Axne, Mr. Keating, Ms. Wild, Ms. Eshoo, Ms. Porter, and Ms. Spanberger.
H.R. 4104: Mr. Yarmuth.
H.R. 4143: Mr. Foster.
H.R. 4144: Mr. Bilirakis.
H.R. 4150: Mr. Posey and Ms. Frankel.
H.R. 4189: Mr. Van Drew.
H.R. 4249: Mr. O'Halleran.
H.R. 4255: Ms. Gabraid, Ms. Wild, Mr. Van Drew, and Mr. Cuellar.
H.R. 4305: Mr. Duncan, Mr. Hice of Georgia, Mr. Morelle, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Weber of Texas, Ms. Granger, Mrs. Hartzler, Mr. Costa, Mr. Aguilar, Mr. Soto, Ms. Spanberger, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Norcross, Mr. Ted Lieu of California, Mr. Pappas, and Mr. Malin.
H.R. 4399: Mr. Fulcher, Mr. Clink, Mr. Lipinski, Mr. Johnson of Louisiana, Mr. John W. Rose of Tennessee, Mr. Cloud, Mr. Posey, and Mr. Scalise.
H.R. 4420: Mr. Khanna.
H.R. 4483: Mr. Murphy of North Carolina.
H.R. 4545: Mr. Ryan, Mr. Vrakas, Mr. Lee of California, Ms. Norton, Mr. Bishop of Georgia, Mr. Garamendi, and Ms. Roybal-Allard.
H.R. 4580: Mr. Raskin and Mrs. Axne.
H.R. 4611: Mr. Levin of California.
H.R. 4674: Mr. Levin of California.
H.R. 4700: Mr. Horsford, Mr. Bishop of Georgia, Ms. Underwood, and Ms. Kuster of New Hampshire.
H.R. 4691: Mrs. Torres of California.
H.R. 4735: Mr. Trone and Mr. Fitzpatrick.
H.R. 4736: Mr. Lowey.
H.R. 4768: Mr. Quigley.
H.R. 4896: Mr. Murphy of North Carolina.
H.R. 4900: Mr. Murphy of North Carolina.
H.R. 4919: Mr. Petersen and Mr. Gosar.
H.R. 4934: Mr. Winsstrup.
H.R. 4980: Mr. Lowenthal and Ms. Shalala.
H.R. 4990: Mr. Carten of Illinois.
H.R. 5004: Mr. Cohen.
H.R. 5011: Mr. Kilmer.
H.R. 5053: Mr. Nadler, Mr. Trone, and Mr. Raskin.
H.R. 5149: Ms. Shalala.
H.R. 5173: Mr. Arthington, Mr. Ratcliffe, Mr. Marchant, Mr. Lowry, and Mr. Taylor.
H.R. 5181: Mr. Sensenbrenner and Mr. Norton.
H.R. 5185: Mr. SuoZZI.
H.R. 5195: Mr. KHANNA.
H.R. 5199: Mr. BLUMENAUER.
H.R. 5205: Ms. WILD, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. NADLER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. SuoZZI, Mr. LEVIN of Michigan, and Ms. TLAlII.
H.R. 5207: Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois.
H.R. 5210: Mr. BLUMENAUER and Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois.
H.R. 5216: Ms. WILSON of Florida and Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois.
H.R. 5221: Mr. HOSTER.
H.R. 5225: Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois.

H.R. 5230: Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. SuoZZI, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. CASTEN of Illinois, Ms. MOORE, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. WILD, Ms. BASS, Mr. VARGAS, and Ms. VELAZQUEZ.
H.R. 5237: Mr. COSTA.
H.R. 5243: Ms. LEE of California, Ms. NORTON, Mr. CUELLAR, Ms. JACKSON LEE, and Ms. ESQUILE.
H.R. 5251: Mr. COOK.
H.J. Res. 2: Ms. SHERILL.
H.J. Res. 7: Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. TOMPSON of California, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, and Mr. LANGEVIN.
H.Con. Res. 27: Mr. PORTENBERRY.

H.R. 5243: Ms. LEE of California, Ms. NORTON, Mr. CUELLAR, Ms. JACKSON LEE, and Ms. ESQUILE.
H.J. Res. 2: Ms. SHERILL.
H.J. Res. 7: Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. TOMPSON of California, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, and Mr. LANGEVIN.
H.Con. Res. 27: Mr. PORTENBERRY.

H.R. 5230: Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. SuoZZI, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. CASTEN of Illinois, Ms. MOORE, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. WILD, Ms. BASS, Mr. VARGAS, and Ms. VELAZQUEZ.
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H.Con. Res. 27: Mr. PORTENBERRY.
The Senate met at 7 and 1 second a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable Jerry Moran, a Senator from the State of Kansas.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. Grassley).

The senior assistant bill clerk read the following letter:

U.S. Senate,
President pro tempore,
To the Senate:
Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable Jerry Moran, a Senator from the State of Kansas, to perform the duties of the Chair.

Chuck Grassley,
President pro tempore.

Mr. Moran thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2019, AT 9:30 A.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 9:30 a.m. on Friday, November 29, 2019.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 7 and 31 seconds a.m., adjourned until Friday, November 29, 2019, at 9:30 a.m.
OFFICER LARRY HARRIS RETIRES FROM THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL

HON. PAUL COOK
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. COOK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding law enforcement career of California Highway Patrol Officer Larry Harris, who retired on June 28, 2019 after 23 years of service.

After completing CHP Academy in 1996, Officer Harris was assigned as a new officer to the Newhall area. Following his first assignment, he spent four years working in the West and South Los Angeles Area. Officer Harris then went on to serve the Barstow and Lake Arrowhead areas from 2001 to 2006, after which he transferred to the Victorville station where he has spent the remainder of his career.

On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives, I offer my sincere congratulations to Officer Larry Harris for his 23 years of service as a member of the California Highway Patrol and wish him an enjoyable and relaxing retirement. Over the course of his career he has personified the California Highway Patrol motto “Safety, Service, and Security” with hard work, dedication, and professionalism.

HONORING JARON BROWN AS RUTGERS—CAMDEN MALE STUDENT VETERAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ANDY KIM
OF NEW JERSEY
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. KIM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jaron Brown of Mount Laurel New Jersey, who was named as the Rutgers University—Camden male Student Veteran of the Year.

Jaron served in the U.S. Air Force from 2005 to 2017, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant. During his service, Jaron deployed five times with his unit to Qatar, Kuwait, Turkey and Kyrgyzstan in support of Operations Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom, and Operation New Dawn. After his overseas deployment, he transferred to Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst in New Jersey, where he spent three years as a contingency response team chief, and from which he deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Inherent Resolve.

After ending his active duty service in 2017, Jaron chose to pursue his bachelor’s degree at Rutgers University—Camden, enrolling in the fall of 2018. Upon his arrival to campus, he began to work in the Office of Military and Veterans Affairs at the University, and became active in the student veterans’ group on campus, where he now serves as president. Jaron remains a leader supporting the military and veteran community on campus, assisting other veterans in their transition from military life to college.

Jaron Brown serves as an example of tremendous sacrifice, determination and dedication to his fellow servicemembers. I commend him for his desire to not only pursue his degree, but also to engage with the campus community and assist other veterans in their transition.

I’d like to thank Jaron for his service to our country, and for continuing to engage the student veteran community in South Jersey.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DONALD NATHAN CARR

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY
OF VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to celebrate and honor the life of Donald (Don) Nathan Carr. Sadly, Don passed away unexpectedly on Monday, November 18, 2019.

Don was born in Texas on June 27, 1951. Upon graduation from high school in 1969, Don joined the U.S. Army and served in the Vietnam Conflict. He became an Army Public Affairs officer, serving in Thailand, Germany, Texas, Alaska, and for five years at the Pentagon. He retired as a Master Sergeant in 1990 following 21 years of honorable service to our nation.

After his retirement from active duty, he began his civil service career at Fort Belvoir, located in Fairfax County, Virginia. His first position at Fort Belvoir was Editor of the Belvoir Eagle and he quickly advanced to Command Information Chief and finally to the position of Director of Public Affairs. Don believed that it was crucial for Fort Belvoir to fully engage the non-military community in order to create a true partnership in the sweeping changes that faced the region and the Garrison.

Of course, one of the most significant challenges during Don’s tenure was Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) which greatly expanded the mission and footprint of Fort Belvoir and transferred countless DoD agencies and departments, as well as tens of thousands of employees and soldiers to Fort Belvoir.

As then-Chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, I worked with Fort Belvoir to ensure this process would be as smooth as possible. A major concern of the community was the impact on the region’s already congested roads. Upon my election to Congress in 2008, these concerns and others persisted, largely because the BRAC plan provided no funding for transportation. Finally, through a genuine collaboration between DoD, local and state partners, and federal funding of $61 million through the Recovery Act, the Fairfax County Parkway was completed. The communication and transparency of Fort Belvoir leadership, including Don, were instrumental in achieving this goal.

Don was also of great assistance to my office with resolving any issues brought to my attention from those stationed or working at Fort Belvoir. He would consistently take prompt action to resolve any problems that arose. He retired from civil service in 2012, having served our nation—indeed, our country—for a combined total of 48 years. Even after his retirement, he was always available to discuss issues and provide guidance to my office.

Madam Speaker, Don was a kind and generous man and will be greatly missed. I ask my colleagues to join me in expressing our deepest condolences to Don’s wife, Noy, his children and his grandchildren. He was devoted to his family and I know how much joy they gave him. I hope that the outpouring of sympathy and support from Don’s colleagues, friends, and our community will be a source of strength and comfort to his family during this time.

PERSOINAL EXPLANATION

HON. GWEN MOORE
OF WISCONSIN
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Ms. MOORE. Madam Speaker, on November 21st, I missed Roll Call vote Nos. 638, 639, 640, 641, and 642. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call 638, 639, and 640 on amendments to H.R. 1309. I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 641 related to upholding the chair’s ruling. I would have voted Yea on Roll Call No. 642, final passage of H.R. 1309, the Workplace Violence Prevention for Health Care and Social Service Workers Act.
REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF SHARON ENOCH-HESTER

HON. TIM RYAN
OF OHIO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. RYAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Sharon Enoch-Hester, of Harrisburg, PA, who passed away on November 10, 2019 at the age of 63.

Sharon is the daughter of Ernestine Enoch and Vincent Wilson and was employed as a teacher in the Harrisburg School District in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. She was a member of Zeta Phi Beta and a graduate of Shippensburg University. Sharon obtained her Master's Degree from the University of Scranton and participated in the Doctorate Program at the University of Pennsylvania.

Sharon is survived by her husband, the beloved Samuel Hester, by her mother Ernestine, her children Aaron and Michael Hester, a brother Warren Enoch, and her aunt Mary Louise Graves. Also, she is survived by a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

I am very blessed to have gotten to know Sharon's husband, Sam, who works in the Member's Gym. I am so sorry for this painful loss, and I hope he feels the support and love that we are sending him during this time. Sharon will certainly be missed by all those lives she touched.

HONORING GARY MERVIS, CHAIRMAN OF THE ROCHESTER PROJECT EXILE ADVISORY BOARD

HON. TOM REED
OF NEW YORK
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. REED. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor Chairman of the Rochester Project Exile Advisory Board and Camp Good Days founder, Gary Mervis.

Gary has been the Chairman of the Rochester Project Exile Advisory Board since its inception in 1998. It is the longest running program in the country. There is a reason this program has withstood the sands of time—its success is abundantly clear and the statistics are staggering. I was fascinated by the facts and figures of this program’s success—and its success has allowed other programs to flourish as well.

Gary has clearly given much of himself for his community in service. I thank Gary for all that he has done and will do in the future.

Given the above, I ask that this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations and join me to honor Chairman of the Rochester Project Exile Advisory Board and Camp Good Days founder, Gary Mervis.

CELEBRATING THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF CHARLOTTE WINELAND

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY
OF VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Ms. Charlotte Wineland on the occasion of her 100th birthday. Charlotte was born Lilian Charlotte Oheim on August 10, 1919, in Baltimore, Maryland to Christopher and Lilian Oheim. In 1923 her family relocated to Washington, D.C. where she was raised. Charlotte joyed playing Jacks and learned to play the piano. Her brother Bill earned money delivering the Evening Star newspaper. Like most people in the 1920s, the Oheims did not have a car. Young Charlotte walked all over the city, running errands and buying groceries for her mother, who would often send Charlotte back to demand the highest quality items. Charlotte became known as the “bring back girl” to the local grocers.

Charlotte graduated from Eliot Junior High School and Eastern High School. She then attended business school before working for a local company and later she accepted a position in the Office of Congressman Fred Crawford on Capitol Hill.

Charlotte met her future husband, Lloyd Wineland Jr. while attending the circus in 1937. Charlotte and Lloyd married in 1939 and had four children, Linda, Christine, Nancy and Lloyd III. She was a devoted mother and decided to be a stay-at-home mom until their youngest began school. They lived and raised their children on several acres in Southeast Washington, D.C. Lloyd became president of his family’s movie theater business, Wineland Theaters, growing the chain to 20 theaters by the 1960’s. They moved to Virginia in 1962.

Charlotte has always been an involved community member and was active in the Methodist church and her children’s activities. She was a Girl Scout and Job’s Daughters leader; in the 1960s Charlotte led the Anacostia Lion Cell group in producing a cook book to raise funds for construction of Cafritz Hospital in S.E., D.C. In her spare time, she often delivered meals to the homeless.

In 1978, Charlotte and Lloyd moved to the Eastern Shore of Maryland and began the next chapter of their lives. Lloyd expanded the family business and became an antiques ap-
The naming of the Joseph R. Peterson Justice Building underscores Joseph Peterson’s meaningful impact on the City of Wyandotte and serves as tribute to his leadership as a police officer, councilman, and mayor. Throughout all his work, Peterson has displayed an enduring commitment to the people of Wyandotte and endeavors to effect real change. Peterson is recognized by many as a dedicated, compassionate, and effective leader who humbly strives for excellence without seeking praise or recognition for any of his significant accomplishments.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in celebrating the dedication of the Joseph R. Peterson Justice Building. Joseph Peterson has become a pillar of our community, and the naming of the new Joseph R. Peterson Justice Building serves as a testament to his important work. We are all grateful for Peterson’s leadership and wish him continued success in the years ahead.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF AMARJIT SINGH BUTTAR

HON. JOE COURTNEY
OF CONNECTICUT
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. COURTNEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to observe and mourn the passing of an extraordinary American, Mr. Amarjit Singh Buttar of Vernon, Connecticut. Amarjit passed away surrounded by his loving family in Connecticut on Wednesday, November 20, 2019.

His life was a quintessential American story. Born in 1938 in the Punjab region of India, he was raised as a disciple of the Sikh religion. In 1965, he emigrated to the United States with his wife, Rajinder Kaur Thind, and immediately embarked on an epic, relentless effort to contribute and succeed in his new homeland. He was accepted to University of Michigan Law School in 1966 and after graduation used his degree to pursue a lifetime of work helping fellow citizens in need. He moved to Connecticut with Rajinder, his two sons, Gursimrit Singh Buttar and Angad Singh Buttar, and began a career applying his legal acumen at the State of Connecticut Workers Compensation Commission. This agency adjudicates all the work-related injury claims in the state, affecting thousands and thousands of on-the-job accidents and illnesses that can result in tremendous stress and hardship if not handled correctly. Amarjit assisted the quasi-judicial state Commissioners in the handling of claims, demonstrating total command of the law and its processes. His innate compassion for people was a huge help to workers and their families who often found the system frustrating and daunting. As a young lawyer who represented workers compensation clients years ago, I personally saw him in action, deftly resolving common claims and issues before the Commissioners even needed to rule. His diligence and competence were respected and admired by all who came into contact with him.

Amarjit’s other best known public service was his commitment to our country’s democracy. He valued the right to vote, to participate in elections, and to run for office. In Vernon, where we both lived, Amarjit and I met a long time ago as members of the local Democratic Town Committee, and in every election, whether at the local level or for the U.S. Presidency, he was a stalwart volunteer showing up at every meeting, phone bank, “literature drop”, or election night gathering to support the candidates. Sometimes I benefited from his help, when I ran for State Representative from 1986 to 1992, and later for U.S. Congress 2006 to the present. But also Amarjit himself benefitted when he successfully ran for the Vernon School Board, where he served two terms, including a stint as Chair.

When he was first elected in 2001, it was an exciting moment, since he was the first Sikh American in Connecticut to achieve the milestone of elective office and one of the first nationwide. It’s important to note that as strong a Democrat as Amarjit was, in office he demonstrated total respect and comity for his Republican colleagues and was always focused on advancing the best interests of the school children of the town, not a partisan agenda. His other notable electoral highlight was when he was selected as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in 2004 in Boston, Massachusetts. There, he witnessed in person Barack Obama’s keynote address, a 20-minute speech that introduced him to the country, and that began his journey to the White House in 2008.

As busy as Amarjit was with his public service, he always found time for his family. They are a close-knit group, sharing time and activities (including volunteering at Democratic Headquarters). In August of this year his family celebrated 50 years of marriage to Rajinder. Amarjit was also intensely devoted to his two sons. His son Angad shared a story of his dad’s devotion: “Though not a sports fan himself, he raised two sons who are avid fans. When he would take his oldest son to Hartford Whalers games when he was a child, he would playfully cheer for the opposing teams such as the rival Boston Bruins or the Montreal Canadiens, while his son would vigorously cheer for the hometown team.”

Madam Speaker, showing your playful love of your children in the middle of hostile hockey fans I believe is the ultimate proof of familial devotion! Both boys today are now grown and graduates of the University of Connecticut, pursuing successful careers—Gursimrit in New York and Angad in Virginia where he lives with his wife, Simmi Bhuller. Amarjit also found time for his fellow Sikh community in Connecticut and across the country. My casework staff in Connecticut can amply attest to his high volume of calls, asking for assistance for his many many friends—which we always welcomed.

Madam Speaker, I believe Amarjit’s life can be summed up with a simple phrase: “He made a difference.” For his family, his Sikh community, his Vernon community and his American community, Amarjit created a transformational legacy that touched thousands of lives, for the better. That is a proud legacy, and I ask that the entire House join me in expressing our deepest condolences to his family and saluting his groundbreaking life.

RECOGNIZING JANYCE “JAN” HEDENSTIEM

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY
OF VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise to announce the passing of a titan in Fairfax County, Janyce “Jan” Hedenstiemi. I had the great privilege of knowing and working with Jan for many years and I was proud to call her a friend.

Jan was born and grew up in Sewickley, Pennsylvania and received her bachelor’s degree in psychology and English literature from the Carnegie Institute of Technology (now Carnegie Mellon University) followed by her master’s degree in psychology and counseling and guidance from Indiana University in 1963. She moved to the Washington, D.C. area where she served in the early part of her career as assistant dean of women at the University of Maryland and director of development at Mount Vernon College.

Jan embarked on a long and illustrious career of Federal public service, first as a social science analyst with the NIH, where she worked in the areas of Bio-medical Research Panel and thereafter in a series of progressively responsible positions at the National Institutes of Health in program planning and development initiatives, including the NIH Research Agenda on Women’s Health and the National Action Plan on Breast Cancer. She was appointed in 1994 as the first director of the NIH’s newly established Office of Community Liaison, serving in that position until her retirement from the NIH in 2002.

Jan’s service there was recognized with two NIH Director’s Awards.

Jan had an unquenchable passion for community service and civic leadership. She served as president of her homeowner’s association for many years and as co-chair of the Braddock District Democratic Committee from 2009 to 2013. She served as a member of the Board of the Fairfax County Park Authority and Park Foundation and was appointed to the Planning Commission where she served from 2013 to 2017. Jan also chaired the Fairfax County Transportation Advisory Committee and four separate Bond Referendum Committees. In recognition of her countless contributions and dedication to our community, Jan was named the Board of Supervisors’ Lady Fairfax for the Braddock District in 2004, Braddock District Member of the Year for 2013, and the 2014 Citizen of the Year by the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations.

Jan was also an avid outdoors sportswoman, both as a tennis player and as an equestrian. She served as captain of two United Tennis Association Adult Women’s Teams. As a horse owner, she participated for many years in dressage training and competition and served as a member of the Fairfax County Equestrian Services Task Force.

Jan was loved by many and respected by all. I was proud to name her to serve as Presidential Elector of the 2012 Electoral College and the National Action Plan for Breast Cancer for the re-election of President Barack Obama.

Her service to her community and country is expansive and commendable and her presence will be deeply missed.
Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the New Zion Missionary Baptist Church, located at 1901 Charlestone Street in Texarkana, Texas on their 100th year anniversary. The church was organized under the leadership of Rev. Warner B. Bell, believing of believers met in the home of Bro. L. and Sis. Hattie Frazier. Through the years several ministers have served, and the church is still moving forward. Destroyed by fire in 1954, another building was purchased at the present location. We recognize this honorable achievement marking the 100th Diamond Jubilee church anniversary, November 24, 2019. We recognize Pastor Melvin and Nina Glover; the Chairman of Deacons Deacon George Edwards; the Church Secretary, Sis. Melva Flowers; along with the New Zion Church Family. Give God all the glory for what he has done and what he will continue to do and provide.

RECOGNIZING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF SOS INTERNATIONAL
HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY OF VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize SOS International LLC (SOSI) on the occasion of its 30th anniversary. Founded in 1989 to provide specialized analytical services to the U.S. law enforcement community, SOSI has evolved into an international solutions provider with experience in 30 countries worldwide. SOSI provides intelligence, technology and project-management solutions to large, government and private-sector organizations and is known for its innovation, flexibility and agility. SOSI is among the fastest growing companies in the Aerospace and Defense Services industry. The company has been recognized by Washington Technology magazine as one of the Top 100 Government Tech Contractors for 2019, and it was nominated by the Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce for this year’s Large Business Contractor and Executive of the Year Awards. What has struck me most about SOSI is not only its impressive growth and development as a company, but its continued commitment to our Northern Virginia community. SOSI is an ardent supporter of our Nation’s active duty military and veteran population. Veterans make up 25 percent of SOSI’s global workforce. SOSI is a Virginia Values Veterans (V3) certified company. It is an active supporter of the local U.S. military, as well as a member of organizations like Bunker Labs, Capitol Post, and Dog Tag Inc. that empower veterans, military spouses, and caregivers to pursue their entrepreneurial aspirations. SOSI is equally committed to improving the lives of underprivileged and underserved people in our local community. They’ve been huge supporters of Cornerstones, a non-profit in Northern Virginia which provides critical support to those in need of food, shelter, affordable housing, quality childcare, and other human services. Earlier this year, SOSI President and CEO Julian Setian served as chairman for Cornerstones’ Best of Reston Gala, which I attend almost every year. That gala raised over $500,000 for individuals and families who are in need in our community. Every year, SOSI holds drives for coats, books and school supplies, benefiting the families in Cornerstones’ shelters. SOSI employees cook Thanksgiving meals, build bookshelves, pack care packages, and sponsor a “night out at the movies” for children living in their shelters. SOSI employees participate in South Lakes High School’s annual Ethics Day event, mentoring young people in Northern Virginia about the value of ethical conduct in their daily lives. SOSI is also a strong advocate for immigrants who are victims of human trafficking and domestic violence through its support for a Washington D.C. based organization called Ayuda. SOSI provides free translation services and life coaching to this often overlooked segment of our community. Lastly, the company has become active in causes, such as Chance for Children, which provides grants who are victims of human trafficking and veterans, and National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Through their involvement in Wolf Trap, they provide critical support to early youth education in music and art. Madam Speaker, companies like SOSI and the employees who work there are proof of the commitment to public service that exists throughout Northern Virginia. I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the employees and leadership of SOSI for their efforts to better our community and protect our country. I especially want to commend Julian for his leadership and vision. Under his guidance, SOSI has continued to grow and has become the standard bearer for progress and innovation in the government contracting industry. I thank them for their service and wish the SOSI Team continued success.

OFFICER LEO LÓPEZ RETIRES FROM THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
HON. PAUL COOK OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. COOK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding law enforcement career of California Highway Patrol Officer Leo Lopez, who will retire after 30 years of service. Officer Lopez’s promise to serve by the California Highway Patrol motto of “Safety, Service, and Security” began prior to his graduation from the academy. The Loma Prieta earthquake that struck the Bay Area caused officer Lopez to dive right into duties, driving patrol units from Sacramento to the San Francisco CHIP office on only his second day of the academy. Officer Lopez went on to receive badge #12972 on March 8, 1990, with his first station assignment in Barstow. He has since served in numerous capacities with the Inland Division Commercial Unit and the Inland Division Special Response Team. One of many of his deployments was to assist with the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives, I offer my sincere congratulations to Officer Lopez for his 30 years of service as a member of the California Highway Patrol and wish him an enjoyable and relaxing retirement. A native to the High Desert and the second of three generations to serve the California Highway Patrol, I thank you for your service and your commitment to ensuring the safety and security of our community.

RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER AS NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH
HON. XOCHITL TORRES SMALL OF NEW MEXICO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Ms. TORRES SMALL of New Mexico, Madam Speaker, this November, I am proud to join my colleague, Congresswoman Deb Haaland in recognizing Native American Heritage Month. This House Resolution draws attention to our country’s complex history and celebrates the many contributions Native Americans have made to our nation. Importantly, it affirms the need to strengthen our
THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE KENAN-FLAGLER BUSINESS SCHOOL, UNC-CHAPEL HILL

HON. DAVID E. PRICE
OF NORTH CAROLINA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 100th Anniversary of the University of North Carolina’s Kenan-Flagler Business School. Over the course of the last century, Kenan-Flagler has set a high standard for business education, becoming one of the top ranked business schools in the country.

Originally founded as the School of Commerce, its doors were opened in 1919 with a class of only 12 students. The school continued to grow: the first Ph.D. was awarded in 1928 and the MBA and executive programs were introduced in 1952. Now, 100 years later, Kenan-Flagler graduates more than 3,000 students every year, ranging from undergraduate to Ph.D.s.

Kenan-Flagler is constantly evolving and improving the way it teaches the next generation of business leaders. For example, the school has shifted its teaching model to focus on understanding the contours of international business. By offering immersive study abroad and international internship opportunities, the school reaffirms its commitment to global education. Additionally, through the UNC-IDB Strategic Studies Fellows Program, Kenan-Flagler partners with the Institute for Defense and Business to educate Defense Department and national security professionals about the foundations of national security through a strategic thinking and innovative lens.

While not every student studies abroad, Kenan-Flagler finds alternative ways to bring the global experience into the classroom. Last year, with the use of virtual reality goggles, students were transported to a boardroom in the central African country of Cameroon. Kenan-Flagler pushes the envelope on traditional teaching methods, serving as an example for professional schools across the world.

As a Representative for southern New Mexico, I have the privilege of representing many tribes and pueblo communities. I know first-hand that our state’s past, present, and future is tied to the vibrancy of its Native American communities.

Native American Heritage Month is an important step towards fulfilling the trust and responsibility owed to our Native American sovereign governments. I am proud to join my colleagues, Reps. Debra Haaland (NM-01), Tom Cole (OK-4), Sharice Davids (KS-03), Ruben Gallego (AZ-7), Raúl M. Grijalva (AZ-3), Betty McCollum (MN-4), and Markwayne Mullin (OK-2) in recognizing November as Native American Heritage Month.
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Mark’s reporting is a perfect example of why
a healthy, local press is essential to the flour-
ishing of any community. Because of Mark’s
natural inquisitiveness and wealth of historical
knowledge, his columns put events in context and
made them real to his community. He not
only reported on current events but under-
stood them, and he was able to report the
news in a way that helped his readers under-
stand them as well. At a time when it felt as
if a different local paper was closing every
other month, Mark reminded us of what local
news could and should be—and why it is so
important to support these vital organizations.

HONORING THE PARNAGIAN
FAMILY
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019
Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to
recognize the Parnagian family as they are
honored at the 2019 Fresno State Ag One
Foundation Community Salute for their con-
tributions to the Central Valley and California
agriculture. The Parnagians are champions in
our Valley and have played an integral role in
transforming California agriculture for the 21st
century.
The legacy of the Parnagian family began in
1943, when Gladys Girazian, a lieutenant in
the United States Navy Nursing Corps, met a
young Marine, Sam Parnagian, at the San
Diego Naval Hospital. Sam, a World War II
veteran, had just returned from Pearl Harbor.
Just two weeks later, the couple knew they
were meant for each other and were married on
December 2, 1943. The couple were
blessed with four sons, Dennis, Kenneth,
Randy, and Philip.
In 1953, Sam established Fowler Packing
Company in Fowler, California. With Sam at
the helm, the help of his four sons, younger
brother Pete and nephew Jim, Fowler Packing
quickly found success. Today, the family fruit
farms and state-of-the-art packing facilities have
grown into one of the largest packers and
shippers of tree fruit, citrus and table
grapes in the industry. Sam was involved in
the day-to-day operations of the business until
his passing in 1980. Thereafter, Sam’s four
dsons held executive roles in the company and
managed day-to-day operations. After 40
years of success, the Parnagian brothers
passed along leadership responsibilities to
Justin and Leland Parnagian in 2017, making
the way for the third-generation.
The family places an emphasis on social re-
ponsibility and creating a welcoming work en-
vironment. They have an on-site cafeteria,
with free meals provided daily to their employ-
ees. Additionally, they have added a health
clinic at their headquarters and offer free
healthcare and medications for employees and
their families. They have also established the
Fowler Packing Scholars Program to help
bring the dream of a college education for
their employees’ children closer to reality. The
Parnagians stay true to their commitment to
excellence as they prioritize the interests of
customers, growers and employees first.
The Parnagian family holds core values of
family, honor and strong work ethic. They
have always been generous with the commu-
nity. In 2015, the Parnagian family made a
$1.5 million-dollar gift to Children’s Healthcare, establishing the Sam and Gladys
Parnagian Child Life Endowment. Additionally,
Fowler Packing has been a longtime supporter
of the Community Food Banks.
Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join
me in congratulating the Parnagian family for
their contributions and exemplified leadership
in the Central Valley. I wish the Parnagian
family continued health, happiness and pros-
perty.

NATIONAL DIABETES AWARENESS
MONTH
HON. MAXINE WATERS
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019
Ms. WATERS. Madam Speaker, I am proud
to join the American Diabetes Association and
millions of doctors, nurses, health profes-
sionals, and concerned Americans to recog-
nize American Diabetes Month.
Diabetes remains the seventh leading cause
of death in the United States. It affects more
than 30 million Americans—seven million of
whom are undiagnosed. By the end of this
year, more than 40,000 people will be diag-
nosed with Type 1 diabetes—which is identi-
cified as the body’s inability to produce insulin.
Type 2 diabetes—which indicates a deficiency
in the way the body uses insulin—remains the
most common form of diabetes, and makes up
more than 90 percent of all diabetes cases. In
addition, 10 percent of all women develop
gestational diabetes during pregnancy, which
blocks a mother’s ability to use insulin and can
complicate the health of both the mother and
the baby. Without proper treatment, diabetes
can lead to serious and sometimes deadly
complications, including heart disease, nerve
damage, blindness, lower limb amputations,
kidney failure, high blood pressure, and even
stroke.
In my home state of California, more than 4
million people—approximately 13 percent of
the adult population in our state—have dia-
betes. What’s worse, more than 1 million Califor-
nians have diabetes, but have not been tested
and are unaware that they are living with the
disease. An astounding 10 million Californians
have prediabetes, which is a health condition
where blood sugar levels are higher than nor-
mal and are at high risk of developing diabetes
as Type 2 diabetes. By the end of this year,
263,000 residents of our state will be newly di-
gnosed with diabetes.
The troubling increase in the number of
Americans living with diabetes has also increased the overall economic costs of
treating the disease. According to a 2018
American Diabetes Association report, in 2017
the cost for treating diabetes was an astound-
ing $327 billion. Americans diagnosed with
diabetes had medical expenses that were 2.3
times higher than Americans without diabetes,
and spent, on average, $9,600 on healthcare
expenditures. That same report found that in
the state of California, the overall cost of med-
ical expenses and treatment of diabetes was
$27 billion.
For minority communities around the coun-
try, the risk of developing diabetes or suffering
from complications of the disease is devastat-
ingly heightened. Diabetes effects 15 percent
of American Indians and Alaska natives, 13
percent of African Americans, 12 percent of
Hispanics and 8 percent of Asian Americans.
Though they are most impacted and at risk of
developing diabetes, it’s no secret that minori-
ties often lack access to quality health care,
are more likely to have prediabetes, are more
likely to suffer from complications of diabetes,
and in some cases, are nearly twice as likely
to die from diabetes.
To this end, for many years, I have proudly
authored and fought for support of H.R. 4550,
the Minority Diabetes Initiative Act, which is
supported by the American Diabetes Associa-
tion and 60 of my House colleagues and fel-
low members of the Congressional Diabetes
Caucus. My bill will provide grants to physi-
cians and community-based organizations for
diabetes prevention, care, and treatment pro-
grams in minority communities. It will also pro-
vide grants for a variety of diabetes-related
health services, including public education on
diabetes prevention and control, routine health
care for diabetic patients, eye care, foot care,
and treatment for kidney disease and other
complications of diabetes.
I am also a strong supporter of increased
federal funding for diabetes programs at the
National Institutes of Health and the Centers
for Disease Control and Prevention, and have
supported many legislative measures that en-
sure that Americans living with diabetes have
the quality and affordable healthcare they de-
serve.
During American Diabetes Month, and every
month, we must continue to raise awareness
of this disease and show our strong support
for research, innovations, and healthcare serv-
ces that improve the lives of the millions of
Americans who are living with or at-risk of
being diagnosed with this disease. Diabetes
will continue to ravage our communities and
lead to the premature death of Americans if
we fail to act. While both genetic and environ-
mental factors can contribute to the develop-
ment of diabetes, it is every American regardless of their age, race, or ge-
ographic location get tested for diabetes, and
speak with their doctors about actions they

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can take to prevent or postpone the progression of the disease.

I thank the millions of doctors, nurses, health professionals, and concerned Americans who are engaged in the fight against diabetes, and I am proud to continue to join with my colleagues in the Memorial Diabetes Caucus to do all that we can to develop and pass legislation that will aid in the treatment and prevention of this disease. Americans must get tested, get informed, and spread the word about the dangers of diabetes. The sooner we know, the sooner we can act to prevent or postpone the impact of this disease.

RECOGNIZING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIDDEN OAKS NATURE CENTER

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY OF VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Fairfax County Park Authority and the staff and volunteers of Hidden Oaks Nature Center on the occasion of the Center’s 50th anniversary.

Founded in 1969, Hidden Oaks Nature Center has become an invaluable asset to the Annapolitan Community Park and serves as an example of Fairfax County’s ongoing commitment to the preservation of our natural environment. The Center offers a variety of programs and activities designed to promote the engagement of the public with their surrounding environment including live animal displays and a trail network featuring ponds, creeks, woodland and a rain garden. Hidden Oaks Nature Center also offers programs throughout the year to teach children and families about nature, including summer camps, tea parties, campfires, and animal feedings.

This rich bounty of natural resources has led to Hidden Oaks Nature Center becoming a staging ground for community groups looking to assist with connecting the community with the natural world. One of the key partners has been the Boy Scouts, who use the Center for hundreds of hours of merit badge classes each year, as well as for support for Eagle Scout projects. Fairfax County’s Environmental Quality Advisory Council, the citizen volunteer group charged with advising the Board of Supervisors on environmental matters, holds their monthly meetings at Hidden Oaks. These meeting are open to the public, providing another avenue for Hidden Oaks to continue its important mission.

The efforts of the staff and volunteers at Hidden Oaks have produced significant results. Chief among these is the designation of the greater Mason District as the fourth-largest breeding ground of the Northern Mockingbird in the United States. The Center also offers a variety of educational programs and activities designed to promote the engagement of the public with their surrounding environment including live animal displays and a trail network featuring ponds, creeks, woodland, and a rain garden. Hidden Oaks Nature Center also offers programs throughout the year to teach children and families about nature, including summer camps, tea parties, campfires, and animal feedings.

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that they are making a positive difference in someone’s life every day.

Each year, MVLE honors individual participants, as well as business and community partners, who support MVLE’s mission. I am pleased to include in the RECORD the following names of the 2019 award recipients:

The President’s Award is being presented to individuals who have shown outstanding progress toward gaining independence and self-sufficiency through participation in employment and community services. The 2019 President’s Award recipients are Yoon Chung, Katherine Parfitt, Henry Gonzalez and Darlene Riverbank.

The Chairman’s Award is being presented to an outstanding business partner who has demonstrated excellence in hiring practices, creating supportive work environments, and supporting the mission of MVLE. The 2019 Chairman’s Award recipient is Lend-a-Box.

MVLE also presents four Community Awards for Government, Employment Partner, Advocacy and Social Responsibility.

The Government Champion Award is being presented to the Defense Acquisition University at Fort Belvoir. MVLE presents this award to an outstanding partner who is committed to creating meaningful employment opportunities by building partnerships across government and business sectors.

The Employment Partner Award is being presented to ANVL Systems Group. MVLE presents this award to an outstanding partner who is committed to creating meaningful community employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities and military veterans.

The Advocacy Champion Award is being presented to Sean McGinnis of the Hartwood Foundation. MVLE presents this award to an outstanding partner who advocates for community integration by fostering partnerships across sectors to create futures one person at a time.

The Social Responsibility Award is being presented to the Mount Vernon Knights of Columbus. MVLE presents this award to an outstanding partner who supports MVLE through contributions and volunteer work.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in commending MVLE for its success in helping individuals with disabilities achieve independence, and in congratulating the 2019 MVLE Annual Award recipients. The efforts of MVLE, its supporters, community partners, and clients are an inspiration to all and are worthy of our highest praise.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. A. DONALD McEACHIN
OF VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. McEACHIN. Madam Speaker, I was unavoidably detained on November 21, 2019 during roll call No. 637, On Agreeing to the Amendment, H.R. 1309, Byrne of Alabama Part B Amendment No. 3. Had I been present, I would have voted “no.” I was also unavoidably detained during roll call No. 638, On Agreeing to the Amendment, H.R. 1309, Harder of California Part B Amendment No. 4. Had I been present, I would have voted “aye.” I was also unavoidably detained during roll call No. 640, On Agreeing to the Amendment, H.R. 1309, Delgado of New York Part B Amendment No. 10. Had I been present, I would have voted “aye.” I was also unavoidably detained during roll call No. 641, Table Appeal of the Ruling of the Chair, H.R. 1309, Workplace Violence Prevention for Health Care and Social Service Workers Act. Had I been present, I would have voted “aye.” I was also unavoidably detained during roll call No. 642, On Passage, H.R. 1309, Workplace Violence Prevention for Health Care and Social Service Workers Act. Had I been present, I would have voted “aye.”

RECOGNIZING THE FAIRFAX COUNTY HISTORY COMMISSION

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY
OF VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Fairfax County History Commission on the occasion of the 15th Annual Fairfax County History Conference.

This year also marks the 50th anniversary of the Fairfax County History Commission. Since 1969, the History Commission has worked to identify, document, record and preserve the historic past of our region. Few areas in the country are as rich in history as ours. Indeed, the history of this region is the history of our country. The History Conference provides an opportunity to reflect on the accomplishments of the past year and to recognize our neighbors who have made significant contributions to preserving and promoting our local history. Through the dedicated efforts of the History Commission and its many volunteers, we are assured that our history will not be lost and will be available for future generations.

This year, several of these dedicated individuals are being honored for their contribution to the promotion and education of history. I am proud to include their names in the RECORD:

Mr. Brian Conley, for his 32 years of passionate and professional oversight, management and preservation of Fairfax County’s historic resources through a variety of positions within the Fairfax County Library’s Virginia Room, the County Archives and as County Archivist.

Ms. Joyce Wilkinson, for her efforts in promoting, preserving, researching and taking leadership positions to protect the historic resources of Fairfax County and in taking the initial leadership role as the first Chairperson of the Fairfax County History Commission.

Mr. Chris Buraschak, for his efforts in preserving and researching and for his role in the history of the National Bank of Fairfax Main Office through this property nomination to the Fairfax County Inventory of Historic Sites.

Ms. Sofia Haile and Ms. Rachel Inman, for their exemplary work as students of West Springfield High School’s Social Studies class (taught by Brian Heinitz), in preserving, researching, documenting, analyzing and presenting a complete and thorough database of some 150 Fairfax County Vietnam War soldiers who were either listed as dead or missing in action.

Last, but certainly not least, it gives me great pleasure to include in the RECORD the name of my friend and colleague, Sharon Bulova, who is receiving a Lifetime Achievement award for her tireless efforts to preserve and protect the history of Fairfax County. Beginning with her efforts as Braddock District Supervisor, this passion has continued throughout her term as Chairman. I was proud to work with her on a host of these projects, perhaps most importantly, the purchase of the Lorton Reformatory and its transformation into the Workhouse Arts Center. Future generations will long benefit from her efforts and I thank her for her dedication.

Madam Speaker, I commend the Fairfax County History Commission for helping to ensure that the abundance of history that is available to our community will persevere far into the future. I congratulate all of the honorees and ask my colleagues to join me in thanking each of them for the important work they do for the Northern Virginia community.

IN RECOGNITION OF CORPORAL HENRY KROLL FOR HIS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL
OF MICHIGAN
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Corporal Henry Kroll, a World War II veteran, for his dedicated service. His commitment to our country and his community are worthy of commendation.

Corporal Kroll was born and raised in Detroit, where he attended Western High School. In November of 1943, Corporal Kroll was drafted alongside his two brothers and served in the artillery for the 106th Infantry Division. During the war, he fought in the Battle of the Bulge, where Allied forces repelled a German offensive in Belgium’s Ardennes forest in December 1944 and January 1945. Of the 107 men serving in his Division, Corporal Kroll was one of only seventeen soldiers who survived the battle. In 1945, Corporal Kroll returned home on Christmas Day and worked as a mail carrier for 22 years. Today, Corporal Kroll is the father of four and grandfather of nine.

Corporal Kroll’s family will forever love for his country and his community, and his dedication is finally being recognized. Just before his 95th birthday, Corporal Kroll received

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOYCE BEATTY
OF OHIO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mrs. BEATTY. Madam Speaker, I was absent from the House Chamber on November 21, 2019, due to illness. Had I been present, I would have voted yes on Roll Call number 638.
the World War II Campaign Medal with four bronze stars, the Army Good Conduct Medal, and a World War II Victory Medal—awards that are long overdue. Throughout his years of service in the United States Military, Corporal Kroll dutifully earned these honors. He bravely defended and made sacrifices for our nation to ensure freedom would persevere for genera-
tions to come.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Corporal Henry Kroll for his exemplary service. We are grateful for his commitment to America, and I am proud that he is finally receiving the recognition he des-
erves.

REMEMBERING JIM GORDON

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory and service of Jim Gordon, a committed organizer who devoted over 49 years of his life to fighting for the American worker.

Jim worked as a building serviceman, insta-
staller, switchman, repairman, and systems technician. While he was committed to his trade, he knew the importance of collective action and quickly became involved in his Com-
munications Workers of America (CWA) local, serving in several positions including being elected by his peers to lead CWA Local 9412 as their President. In 1984 Jim joined the staff of the Communications Workers of America, serving many years as Legislative/Political Di-
rector for California, Nevada and Hawaii, headquartered in Sacramento, California. In that role, he used his deep devotion and expe-
rience to get the best deal for his members and was awarded the union’s Maxine Lee Award in 1990 for excellence in his work.

Jim understood the importance of public service outside of the union serving in the United States Army in Turkey and as an elect-
ated member of the Fremont City Council. Jim also served as a member of the California Democratic Party Central Committee, Chair of the CDP Labor Caucus, and as the Vice President of the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO.

Jim’s legacy is of a tireless union organizer, devoting countless hours to fighting on behalf of American consumers and workers in the U.S. and abroad. Jim’s service to his country and work in the labor movement will continue to help the lives of countless people and his spirit will be missed. Please join me in cele-
brating his life and his memory.

RECOGNIZING THE 21ST ANNIVER-
sary of the Shepherd’s Center of Oakland-Vienna

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY
OF VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Shepherd’s Center of Oakland-Vienna on the occasion of their 21st anniver-
sary and to thank them for their many con-
tributions to the Northern Virginia community. Organized in 1998, the Shepherd’s Center of Oakton-Vienna (SCOV) is a non-profit that provides services to help older adults continue living independently, and it offers programs that supply opportunities for enrichment, learn-
ing, and socialization.

Every year, approximately 200 volunteers provide invaluable services in support of older residents who want to age in place in their homes and stay engaged in social activities. Services are available free of charge to any-
one age 50 or older who resides in the local community.

Last year, volunteers provided 9,922 hours of service to the Northern Virginia community. Volunteer drivers provided more than 900 round-trip rides for medical needs and other errands. Volunteers also made regular contact with individuals who may have limited inter-
action and may feel isolated in their homes. “Handy Helpers” made minor home repairs to help older adults keep their homes safe and liveable. The Health Team provided individual health counseling, referral to community re-
sources, and blood pressure readings. Volun-
teers also run programs such as Lunch n’ Life, Adventures in Learning, trips and outings, spe-
cial events, and caregivers’ support groups.

The services and programs offered by this extraordinary organization help to ensure that our seniors stay connected to the community through the promotion of active lifestyles, on-
going social integration, and availability of re-
sources for older residents to use and share their experience, training, and skills. In 2014, SCOV was recognized for these efforts as an Outstanding Volunteer Caregiving Program by the National Volunteer Caregiving Network.

I also want to give special mention to a new series of programs begun by SCOV this year, focused on veteran outreach. Volunteers from SCOV who are veterans themselves reach out to fellow veterans with either a call or an in-
person visit or both. The men and women who serve our nation in uniform, especially in com-
bat, are just as vulnerable, if not more so, to the dangers of isolation and depression as our senior population and I commend SCOV for taking this important action to help address that.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the Shepherd’s Cen-
ter of Oakton-Vienna on its 21st anniversary and for its work to enable older adults in our community to age in place and enjoy their golden years with dignity and independence. I thank the many volunteers who generously dedicate their time and efforts to the welfare of our neighbors. The value of their contributions cannot be overstated and are truly deserving of our highest praise.

PALMDALE CITY MANAGER JAMES PURTEE RECIPIENT OF 2019 LARRY CHIMBOLE PUBLIC SER-
VICE AWARD

HON. PAUL COOK
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. COOK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Palmdale City Manager James “Jim” Purtee, who will be presented with the Larry Chimbole Public Service Award by the Cali-
ifornia League of Cities Desert/Mountain Divi-
sion. Jim has announced that he will also re-
tire at the end of 2019, after 31 years of public service.

Jim began his diverse public service career with the City of Simi Valley in 1988, where he worked in multiple departmental roles including community services, affordable hous-
ing, planning, economic development, and city administration. He was named Simi Valley’s Assistant City Manager in July 2012 and was formally appointed to be Palmdale’s City Man-
ger on October 5, 2015. Under his leader-
ship, Palmdale’s Part I crime rate has de-
creased to its lowest in a quarter century. Palmdale has also maintained a strong gen-
eral fund reserve and credit ratings from both of the leading ratings agencies, which is a credit to Jim’s strong and strategic manage-
ment skills.

Jim has been very involved with the League of California Cities, where he has served as the Desert/Mountain Division’s rep-
resentative to the League’s Administrative Services Policy Committee and Revenue and Taxation Policy Committee.

As a former city councilmember, I know that replacing Jim will be an incredibly tough task for the City of Palmdale, and I wish their councilmembers the best of luck in finding a successor. Jim Puttee embodies all of the qualities of the Larry Chimbole Award, and I congratulate him on this prestigious honor as well as a well-deserved retirement.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF LINDA ORANGE

HON. JOE COURTNEY
OF CONNECTICUT
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Mr. COURTNEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to observe and mourn the passing of long-time Connecticut State Representative Linda Orange who passed away on November 20, 2019 after a difficult battle with pancreatic cancer that she met with bravery and grace, which characterized her overall approach to the challenges and vagaries of her life.

At the time of her passing, Linda was in her 23rd year of service as a state representative in a district that she shared with me in eastern Connecticut. I can personally attest to her unflinching focus on advocating for her constitu-
ency in ways both big and small. Whether it was her committee work, work on the House floor where she rose to the position of Deputy Speaker, or taking a call from a constituent at any time of day, she kept complete and total fidelity to the people who sent her to the State Capitol in Hartford.

I had the privilege to see Linda at work at another time in her life, when she worked in my Committee room during part of the time I served at the State Capitol from 1991–1994. She clerked for me and my colleague then State Senator Ken Pyrsyz when we co-
chaired the Joint Committees on Human Serv-
ces and Public Health. The two of us were a handful for Linda, partly because of the vol-
ume of the bills that passed through our offices, but also because the state issue fre-
etic pace that could make it a real pressure cooker. To say that we tested her patience at times is an understatement. Her natural good humor and kindness always overcame any
Human Services Committee and later led to her eventual career at the State Capitol. Colchester Democratic Women’s Club which was an enthusiastic member of the Colchester Democratic Town Committee and the Colchester Democratic Women’s Club which led to her eventual career at the State Capitol.

In 1991, she became assistant clerk of the Human Services Committee and later became clerk of the Public Health Committee.

She made many friends and learned the working of the legislature so well that she ran as a candidate for State Representative of the 48th District in 1996. She went on to serve twelve terms in Hartford, becoming one of the longest serving members at twenty-three years.

The interests of her constituents were always her priority without regard for political labels. As a legislator, Linda served on many committees and currently was a member of Legislative Management, General Law Committee, and the Public Safety and Security Committee. She became a knowledgeable authority on public safety issues and the legislature’s chief advocate for work of first responders—police, fire fighters, emergency medical personnel, dispatchers and others. Linda was Deputy Speaker and often presided over the House of Representatives controlling the process by recognizing members wishing to speak, putting all questions to a vote, and directing the business of the legislature. While presiding, her charming personality, ability to add a quip or joke, and her booming voice endeared her to all her colleagues on both sides of the aisle.

The staff at the Capitol, the Senators and Representatives, and all those associated with the Connecticut General Assembly will remember the kindest of Linda, a kind and warm-hearted person, friendly to everyone, and always ready for a good laugh at herself or playing a joke on others. Over the years, Linda was recognized by many organizations too numerous to mention all. She humbly accepted such honors and was grateful to those who appreciated her work.

Some of her distinctions included awards from the Connecticut Recreation and Parks Association, the Coalition of Connecticut Sportsmen, UCONN Advocates, the Middlesex County and New London County Medical Associations, the Connecticut State Fire Fighters Association, the Connecticut Council of Police Unions, the National Guard Association, the Eastern Connecticut EMS Council, the Haddam Historical Society, and the Association of Connecticut Ambulance Providers. Recently, the charter of the Uniformed Professional Fire Fighters Association of Connecticut was changed to make Linda a member of the honorary member of the emergency services.

Linda was known to end her many encounters on the phone and in person with: “Bye, Bye, Now!” Her spirit will live on with her many friends, using this phrase to remember her extraordinary life.

Linda is survived by her husband of 43 years, Dennis Orange, Sr.; her son Patrick Orange and his fiancé, Jenny Nadeau; step-son Dennis Orange, Jr., all of Colchester; step-daughters, Denise and Darleen O’Neal of Arkansas; her beautiful grand-daughter, Dezarre Ann Orange, whose love is everlasting; brothers, Brian and his wife Linda Smith, of Marlborough, George and his wife Phyllis, of Windham, ME; god-daughter, Lorna Smith, of Marlborough; sisters-in-law, Genevieve Lescoe, of Meriden, and Marion Coriaty, of Willimantic; many extended family members; and a host of amazing long-time friends. In addition to her parents, Linda was predeceased by her son, Matthew Orange who passed away in 2018 of pancreatic cancer, her brother Bruce Smith, parents-in-law William and Rose Orange, brother-in-law Henry Coriaty, and her sister-in-law Rosemarie Hart.

Recognizing the Graduation of the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department’s 145th Recruit Class

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to congratulate the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department and the graduates of the 145th Recruit Class. As they prepare to join the ranks of the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department, I encourage the 20 graduates to reflect on the history of the department and the contributions and dedication of the brave men and women who have served before them to protect our community.

The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department’s Recruit School consists of an extensive and demanding 24-week program. In addition to two weeks of orientation, recruits completed seven weeks of EMT training and fifteen weeks of fire suppression training. Upon graduation, these recruits will be certified at the level of Firefighter I/II by the Virginia Department of Fire Programs.

These recruits have the distinct honor of joining one of the best Fire and Rescue Departments in the United States. The efforts of the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department have been recognized across this country. Members from the Department serve on the elite VA Task Force 1, which is among the first units called to disaster zones to provide search and rescue support. Members of that Task Force were recognized by the International Association of Fire Chiefs with the Benjamin Franklin Award for Valor as a result of their efforts in the aftermath of the devastating earthquakes that struck Nepal in 2015.

They also saw extensive work in Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands as part of disaster relief and rescue efforts in the aftermath of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria. This summer, the team deployed to the Southeast in support of relief efforts for Hurricane Dorian.

Fairfax County is fortunate to have such excellent ambassadors for our community and I congratulate the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department for its continued commitment to protect lives and property not only here in Fairfax County, but around the world. As the newest members of the Fire and Rescue Department, the 145th Recruit Class graduates join the department as integral parts of our community’s emergency response and public safety team. I am confident that this graduating class will serve the residents of Fairfax County with honor and distinction. It is my great honor to include in the RECORD the names of the 145th Recruit Class:

Adriana Caruso, Sharly Clavel Tobar, Luiz Costa, Sean Dolan, Lucas Groff, Andrew Hackett, Jenny Huh, Benjamin Jacobeen, Matthew Kahle, John Lilley, Sean Mack, Aaron Marsh, Andrew McCandless, Jackson-
Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the newest members of the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department. I thank them for their service to their community and to all members of the Fire and Rescue Department, past and present, I say: “Stay safe.”
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

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Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met at 7:00:01 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 7:00:31 a.m. until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, November 29, 2019.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 5266–5276; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 734–735, were introduced.

Additional Cosponsors:

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

- H.R. 4018, to provide that the amount of time that an elderly offender must serve before being eligible for placement in home detention is to be reduced by the amount of good time credits earned by the prisoner, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–311);  
- H.R. 2051, to provide for Federal coordination of activities supporting sustainable chemistry, and for other purposes, with an amendment (Rept. 116–312, Part 1);  
- H.R. 4895, to reauthorize the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–313);  
- H.R. 1747, to encourage partnerships among public agencies and other interested persons to promote fish conservation, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–314);  
- H.R. 2189, to require the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to establish a constituent-driven program to provide a digital information platform capable of efficiently integrating coastal data with decision-support tools, training, and best practices and to support collection of priority coastal geospatial data to inform and improve local, State, regional, and Federal capacities to manage the coastal region, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–315);  
- H.R. 3115, to direct the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to make grants to State and local governments and nongovernmental organizations for purposes of carrying out climate-resilient living shoreline projects that protect coastal communities by supporting ecosystem functions and habitat with the use of natural materials and systems, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–316)

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Dingell to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Chaplain Lieutenant Jeffrey E. Spinddle, U.S. Navy Cryptologic Warfare Group SIX, Fort Meade, Maryland.

Senate Referrals: S. 333 was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security. S. 900 was referred to the Committee on Veterans Affairs. S. 1430 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform. S. 1846 was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and the Committee on Energy and Commerce. S. 2193 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform. S. 2712 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H9177.
Quorum Call—Votes: There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

Committee Meetings
No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings
No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
NOVEMBER 29, 2019
(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate
No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House
No hearings are scheduled.
Next Meeting of the SENATE
9:30 a.m., Friday, November 29

Senate Chamber
Program for Friday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
12 noon, Friday, November 29

House Chamber
Program for Friday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 12 noon.

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