

and from the Office complex and station. Since the creation of the project, more than 900 rides have been provided, and the program continues to see growth. The improvement earned an Honorable Mention at the awards dinner.

Other Lake County municipalities made significant strides in the past year to bolster their local small businesses, improve public safety and beautify their communities. The Village of Beach Park earned an Honorable Mention at the awards dinner for their work with neighboring communities to create the Northern Lakeshore Trail Connectivity Plan, which would improve walking and bicycling connections between five northern lakeshore communities.

We all strive to live in vibrant, healthy and dynamic communities. The work of these, and other, municipalities are helping to realize that dream.

I proudly applaud these municipalities and the dedicated civil servants for their commendable efforts to serve our communities. I look forward to learning more about these innovative efforts, and to continuing to work closely together in the months ahead.

HONORABLE ELBRA M.  
WEDGEWORTH

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 3, 2019*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Honorable Elbra M. Wedgeworth, who after decades in public service, is retiring.

The Honorable Wedgeworth began her career in public service in 1989 as a Senior Analyst for the Denver City Council. From 1994 to 1996, she served as the Clerk and Recorder for the City and County of Denver, and also served as a member of the Denver Election Commission and as a Denver County Commissioner. In 1999, she was elected as Denver City Council's District 8 Councilwoman. After just four years on the City Council, her fellow Councilmembers unanimously elected her Council President from 2003 to 2005. In 2007, she resigned from the City Council to join Denver Health as Chief Government and Community Relations Officer where she has been active in advancing healthcare policy at the state and federal level. In August 2014, the Elbra M. Wedgeworth Municipal Building was dedicated in her honor in the historic Five Points neighborhood in honor of her service to the City of Denver and State of Colorado.

In addition to her esteemed career, Elbra served on many boards and commissions. In September 2008, she was unanimously elected as President of the Denver Union Station Project Authority Board of Directors and served nine terms as Board President. Under her leadership, the \$500 million Denver Union Station Project opened in May of 2014 on time and under budget. Also, in 2008, she was appointed as the President of the Democratic National Convention Host Committee where she oversaw a widely-viewed successful convention. From 2013 to 2014, Elbra served as the past Chairwoman for the Downtown Denver Partnership Inc., the first person of color male or female to serve as the organization's

chair in its 60-year history, earning her the title of Downtown Denver Partnership Honorary Partner. Throughout all of this, she has served on the Board of Trustees for the University of Redlands in Redlands, California, her college alma mater as well as a Board of Trustee for FirstBank in Colorado from 2017 to present. These positions reflect her leadership abilities, passion for the city and state she loves, and talent for bringing people together to get things done for the betterment of our community.

I want to congratulate The Honorable Elbra Wedgeworth on a long and distinguished career and I wish her all the best in retirement.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF CHIP  
MABUS

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 3, 2019*

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Chip Mabus, who passed away on Saturday, November 16th, at the age of 43.

Chip, a resident of Fulton, Mississippi, was a dedicated employee of FL Crane & Sons for 21 years. Chip also served on the American Subcontractors Association National Board and was a member of the Floor Covering Installation Contractors Association, Associated Builders and Contractors, and Associated General Contractors. Chip attended the University of Mississippi and was an avid football fan.

Left to cherish his memory are his three children, Madeline Mabus of Starkville, Mississippi, Mallory Mabus, of Fulton, Mississippi and Samuel Mabus of Fulton, Mississippi; his father, Larry Mabus of Fulton, Mississippi; his sister, Teresa Estes, of Mooreville, Mississippi; his niece, Ashlyn Estes; his nephew, Brody Estes of Mooreville, Mississippi, as well as many more extended family members and friends.

Chip's life was one of grace, love for his family, and community. He will be greatly missed by all whom he encountered.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY  
OF GARTH C. REEVES, SR.

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 3, 2019*

Mr. HASTINGS. Madam Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to honor the life and legacy of Mr. Garth C. Reeves, Sr. who sadly passed away in November at the age of 100. Garth was the publisher emeritus of The Miami Times and a voice for the aspirations of African Americans in Miami for most of the past century. He was a man of principle, who after serving in the United States Army during World War II, worked to improve his community through civil rights activism, journalism, and publishing.

Garth was born in Nassau, Bahamas in 1919. He attended Florida A&M University, where he earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in printing in 1940. He served in both the Eu-

ropean and Pacific theaters during World War II, from 1942 to 1946, and later returned to Miami to work under his father, Henry Reeves, who founded The Miami Times newspaper.

Garth dedicated his life to resisting and fighting racism. Taking the helm as publisher and chief executive officer of The Miami Times following his father's passing, he advanced the cause of civil rights and challenged segregation laws with acts of civil disobedience. In 1949, when African Americans were only allowed to play golf on Mondays, he showed up to play on a Wednesday. Garth and others sued for equal access to the golf course and won after a seven-year court battle. And in the 1950s, he was among the first to swim at Crandon Park in defiance of laws that designated it a whites only beach. Today, these may appear to be small acts, but they raised up the black community and highlighted the systemic inequalities facing African Americans each and every day.

Garth's good works didn't stop there. He provided scholarships for students to attend his alma maters, Booker T. Washington High School and Florida A&M University, and he donated to The Black Archives/Lyric Theater. It is no surprise that in 2011, he was recognized by the National Newspaper Publishers Association with the Legacy of Excellence Award, and The Miami Times named as the top black newspaper in the country. More recently, he was inducted into the National Association of Black Journalists' Hall of Fame in 2017.

Madam Speaker, Garth C. Reeves, Sr. was a champion for our community and positively impacted the lives of countless people in Miami and around our nation. I extend my deepest condolences to his family during this extremely difficult time. Garth was a true blessing to so many. His legacy will always endure. I am proud to have called him a friend. He will be dearly missed.

IN HONOR OF CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 2 DAVID CHARLES  
KNADLE

HON. MARC A. VEASEY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 3, 2019*

Mr. VEASEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the life of Chief Warrant Officer 2 David Charles Knadle, a father, son, husband and soldier from Fort Worth, Texas.

Born on May 2, 1986, David Knadle fought bravely for our country. David grew up attending North Texas schools and graduated from Richland High School in 2003. He later went on to earn a Bachelor of Business Administration from Texas Wesleyan University in Fort Worth.

In November of 2012, David left his career in accounting to serve his country by joining the U.S. Army. Following his dreams of being an aviator, Knadle attended Basic Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina and later graduated from the Warrant Officer Career College at Fort Rucker, Alabama. CW2 Knadle was deployed to Afghanistan in October 2019 as part of Task Force Knight Hawk. On November 20, 2019, CW2 Knadle passed away in an aircraft accident along with his forward pilot and friend, CW2 Takeshi Fuchigami of Hawaii.

Throughout his Army career, CW2 Knadle was awarded the Bronze Star Medal, Air Medal, Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Campaign Star, Global War on Terrorist Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Combat Action Badge, and Army Aviator Badge.

I want to take this opportunity to extend my thoughts and prayers to David Knadle's family and friends. David was a man who fought bravely for his country and I am grateful for his service and sacrifice.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. DAN BISHOP

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 3, 2019*

Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I missed the vote on H.R. 5084. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 630.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF ROMANIA'S GREAT UNION DAY

#### HON. MICHAEL R. TURNER

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 3, 2019*

Mr. TURNER. Madam Speaker, I would like to recognize Romania on her 101st celebration of unification. This year is especially significant as we also celebrate 30 years since the fall of Communism in Romania.

December 1st is representative of the sovereignty of Romania because on this date in 1918 the Alba Iulia National Assembly met to unify the peoples and territories of Romania. The Resolution passed by the Assembly united Moldova and Wallachia with Transylvania, Crisana, Banat, and Maramures. While the authorities of Romania have changed several times since then, the proud and independent spirit of the Romanian people has not.

December holds an increased meaning as the Romanian Revolution occurred in 1989 in which the people wrested an opportunity for self-direction from the dark times of the Communism towards the bright future of a democratic country which nowadays shares common values with the United States. Over the past 30 years, Romania has become a bastion of democracy in Eastern Europe and a solid and strong U.S. ally in the region. Romania is setting an example of steady commitment to transatlantic security and democratic leadership, while the Romanian public opinion has an overwhelmingly favorable view of American leadership and role in the world.

Romania, as a member of North Atlantic Treaty Organization since 2004, has sent troops to support NATO missions in the Western Balkans, Afghanistan and Iraq and is contributing 2 percent of its gross domestic product on defense spending. Romania has been a leading nation in providing cybersecurity support to NATO and its partners and is working with the U.S. Government on the secure implementation of fifth generation wireless communication networks (5G) technology. Ro-

mania also joined the European Union in 2007 and recently successfully finished a term holding the EU's presidency.

The United States and Romania have enjoyed almost 140 years of diplomatic relations and share a deep and longstanding friendship, a strategic partnership built on historical ties, and a joint commitment to advancing the security and prosperity of their citizens and communities.

Madam Speaker, it is for these reasons that I urge all of my colleagues to join me in congratulating Romania on the 101st anniversary of its Great Union Day.

#### HONORING DR. CINDY L. MILES

#### HON. SUSAN A. DAVIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 3, 2019*

Mrs. DAVIS of California. Madam Speaker, I rise with admiration and respect to honor the career of one of San Diego's most dedicated public servants and leaders, Dr. Cindy L. Miles.

Dr. Miles is retiring after ten years as Chancellor of the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District, where she transformed public higher education in eastern San Diego County and opened the doors to college for thousands of students.

In the decade since Dr. Miles joined the college district as chancellor, the number of graduates from Grossmont and Cuyamaca colleges increased by 78 percent, and the number of degrees and certificates awarded at the colleges rose by 178 percent. Under her direction, the district has been recognized nationally for removing barriers to student success and eliminating longstanding equity gaps that have impeded students of color in their educational pursuits.

One of Dr. Miles's most successful innovations was the creation of the East County Education Alliance in 2014, which initially began as a partnership between the district and the Grossmont Union High School District to ensure a smooth path for students between high school, college, and eventually, into a career. In 2019, the Mountain Empire School District joined the Alliance, ensuring that every public high school student in eastern San Diego County could benefit. As evidence of this fact, the Alliance was selected by the League for Innovation in the Community College for a national Innovation of the Year award.

The prestige of the two campuses was significantly advanced during Dr. Miles's service as chancellor. In 2018, the California Community College Chancellor's Office awarded Cuyamaca College the John W. Rice Diversity and Equity Award and Grossmont College was recognized as a Champion of Higher Education.

Dr. Miles has played an influential role in state and national community college organizations. She served on committees and task forces for the American Association of Community Colleges, the American Council on Education, the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office, the Community College League of California, and the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges.

While her presence in the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District will be

missed, Dr. Miles has created a culture of progress that will endure for years to come. I extend my congratulations and best wishes to her for a well-deserved retirement.

#### RECOGNIZING PEGGY WHITE WELL KNOWN BUFFALO AND SUSAN KELLY OF GARRYOWEN

#### HON. GREG GIANFORTE

OF MONTANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 3, 2019*

Mr. GIANFORTE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Peggy White Well Known Buffalo and Susan Kelly of Garryowen for their work to fight hunger in their community.

In 1999, Peggy and Susan launched the Center Pole Foundation, a Native grassroots organization that promotes knowledge, justice, and sovereignty in Native communities. The foundation seeks to serve the needs of the community, including hunger within the Crow Indian Reservation.

As part of the foundation, Peggy and Susan created a community food bank which serves not only the reservation but also the surrounding community.

Their mission to fulfill a fundamental need, such as nourishment, is personal for Peggy and Susan.

For Peggy, confronting hunger began when she attended a boarding school. There, she experienced hunger and made it a life mission to feed people in a loving and kind environment.

For Susan, she has seen firsthand how hunger impedes a child's progress. Wanting every kid to do well in school, Susan says a kid can't be creative if his or her stomach isn't full.

Each week, the food bank's staff goes to Billings to collect food from grocery stores. Their efforts provide food to the reservation and surrounding communities, feeding more than 300 people a week.

To Peggy and Susan, their work is about more than providing people with food. It's about providing their community nourishment, boosting its health, helping combat illness, and reinforcing the benefits of a healthy, positive lifestyle. Their commitment to the future of their communities is front and center of all they do through Center Pole Foundation.

Madam Speaker, for their dedicated work to fight hunger in their community, I recognize Peggy White Well Known Buffalo and Susan Kelly of Garryowen for their Spirit of Montana.

#### PRINCIPLES GOVERNING CONSIDERATION OF ARTICLES OF IMPEACHMENT OF A PRESIDENT

#### HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 3, 2019*

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Madam Speaker, as a senior member of the House Judiciary Committee and one who served on the Committee during the last impeachment proceeding, I rise to share some of the fundamental principles that will guide my deliberations on the momentous task before the Committee.

In 1776, the Framers founded this country and created this government on the basis of a