

HONORING THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF KEYSTONE COMMUNITY SERVICES

HON. BETTY MCCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 19, 2019

Ms. MCCOLLUM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Keystone Community Services' 80th anniversary. For 80 years, this non-profit organization has provided critical programs and services that empower youth, families, and seniors in Saint Paul and Ramsey County, Minnesota.

Founded in 1939 as Saint Paul Community Services, a small, neighborhood community center, it provided youth programming and services to its neighbors. Programs included athletics, Color Guard, hobby clubs, and pre-school-age programming. In 1941, volunteers contributed 60 hours per week to assist a total of 700 individuals. Today, more than 340 youth participate in Keystone programs that develop and sharpen their academic, social, and early employment skills, helping young people become successful adults.

In 1971, Keystone expanded to provide food shelf services to hungry neighbors. Last year, Keystone distributed 2.3 million pounds of quality, healthy food to neighbors in need. Today, more than 26,000 people each year depend on Keystone's food shelf services. Keystone's Programming for Active Seniors started in 1972, which included education, fitness classes, and social activities for low-income older adults. Today, more than 1500 older adults participate in a variety of senior programs at Keystone's two community centers in Saint Paul. Additionally, Keystone's Meals on Wheels Program provides seniors and adults with disabilities with nutritious meals and keeps them living in their homes as long as possible.

Keystone is aptly named for the essential wedge-shaped stone of an arch that locks the other pieces in place. Programs that meet basic needs, provide crisis support, build communication, and help navigate and coordinate services are the keystone of its work. Keystone Community Services has grown to serve over 30,000 people annually, in large part due to volunteers who donate 700 hours each week.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring the 80th anniversary of Keystone Community Services strengthening Saint Paul and Ramsey County, Minnesota communities.

RECOGNIZING MAYOR JEFF TILTON FOR HIS 8 YEARS OF SERVICE AND LIFETIME OF DEDICATION OF THE ZANESVILLE COMMUNITY

HON. TROY BALDERSON

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BALDERSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mayor Jeff Tilton, for his dedication to Zanesville, Ohio and the surrounding area.

Mayor Tilton's career, now spanning more than four decades, exemplifies a selfless com-

mitment to public service. After dedicating 39 years to Burnham Foundry, Jeff served three plus terms as Zanesville Councilman. Jeff was then sworn in as Mayor in 2011. Jeff's service stretches far past his duties as Mayor as he is also a member of multiple local organizations, such as the Genesis Advisory Board, the Advisory Board of the Oaks at Bethesda and Northpoint, the Zanesville Sertoma Club, and the Salvation Army Board, just to name a few.

As a holder of public office, Mayor Tilton has continually gone above and beyond his call of duty. Jeff can be credited for improving broadband access, infrastructure, and downtown development in Zanesville. Outside of local government, Jeff's dedication has manifested itself in countless ways over the years, including in his volunteer work around Zanesville. Jeff is an active volunteer with Miracle on Main Street, Souper Bowl Sunday and the Y-Bridge Arts Festival. Many different groups and organizations throughout Muskingum County have benefited from Jeff's time and assistance.

Admired and respected by the people that have had the chance to work alongside Jeff, it is evident he has left a positive impact on Zanesville and the individuals that make up the community. As family, friends, and Zanesville gather to recognize Jeff's outstanding career, I salute him for his ongoing commitment to service above self. Mayor Tilton can take great pride in all he has accomplished and in the positive impact that his work has—and will continue to—have.

I thank Jeff for his devotion to bettering Zanesville, Ohio and in turn, I honor him for his incredible record of achievement.

HONORING THE LIFE OF FRED MAYER

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HUFFMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in memory of Fred Mayer, who passed away on December 10, 2019, at the age of 86 after a lifetime of exemplary public service to his community.

Fred Mayer was born in Kansas City to Anna Landie Mayer and Maximilian Philip Mayer. His father died when he was just six months old and his mother reluctantly placed Fred and his older sister in Jewish orphanages in Kansas City and Denver while trying to secure employment to support the family. Mr. Mayer would later credit his time in the Jewish orphanages with helping to develop his great sense of justice. He would go on to champion causes that served the greater community and would always put others above himself. When he was eight, the family reunited and moved to San Francisco. At the age of 12, Mr. Mayer started working at local pharmacies and later went on to graduate from Lowell High School, the University of California, Berkeley, and in 1954, the pharmacy school at University of California San Francisco. After graduating with his pharmacy degree, Mr. Mayer served in the United States Army where he ran a mobile surgical unit in Germany.

Following his service in the Army, Mr. Mayer met and married Jacqueline Levy Mayer in

1958, and a year later, they settled in San Rafael, CA. In 1963, Mr. Mayer bought Sausalito Pharmacy and operated it for 33 years. Mr. Mayer used his pharmacy as a place to educate the community on various public health issues including the dangers of smoking and the need for safe sex education. In the 1970s, Mr. Mayer started a methadone program from within the pharmacy, and after a close friend of his died of cancer, the pharmacy became one of the first drugstores in the nation to stop the sale of tobacco. In 1974, Mr. Mayer went back to school at the University of California, Berkeley, to obtain a master's degree. Soon after, he founded a non-profit organization, Pharmacy Planning Service Inc., where he continued to deliver much needed community education on public health.

Known to all around him as larger-than-life, Mr. Mayer worked well into his later years. Most recently, he worked to educate medical cannabis users about interactions with other medications that might be harmful. He was also well known for his Great American Smokeout campaigns, bolstering National Condom Week, and his crusade to put child safety caps on prescription medications.

Mr. Mayer was a well-respected community leader who will be remembered for his dominant spirit and commitment to public service. He is survived by his daughter Heidi and his sons David and Charles. While he will be greatly missed, Mr. Mayer's legacy will live on through the indelible positive impact he had on his many friends and family and the community at large.

RECOGNIZING MR. ELWYN RAYMER FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MUSIC INDUSTRY

HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 19, 2019

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize President and CEO of the Church Music Publishers Association's (CMPA) Action Fund, Mr. Elwyn Raymer, for his 50-year career dedicated to bettering the music publishing industry.

In 1966, Raymer moved to Music City and became Music Editor for Broadman Records and Music at the Baptist Sunday School Board, currently known as Lifeway. During his time as Music Editor, he produced and published the musical Celebrate Life. This musical touched the lives of millions nationwide and sold more than 600,000 copies.

As Executive Vice President of Triune Music and Triangle Records and President of Lorenz Creative Services, Raymer focused on his advocacy for songwriters, artists, and publishers. In 1990, Raymer joined Bertelsmann Music Group (BMG) where he helped establish the group's entry and success into Contemporary Christian Music. During his tenure at BMG, he became a leader for his ability to carry out acquisitions and attract talented musicians and songwriters. While at BMG, Raymer redefined and expanded the group's scope by overseeing the purchase of Reunion Records and Music and the acquisition of half of the Sparrow Music catalogues. As a direct result, BMG went on to unleash a new era in the groups chapter of music making with songs such as