

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

REMEMBERING THOMAS J.
MCKENNA

HON. HALEY M. STEVENS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in memory of Tom McKenna, who passed away on December 11th after a courageous battle with two rare forms of leukemia at the age of 78.

Tom was born on August 11, 1941 in Chicago to Charles and Dorothy McKenna. He was a proud south-sider, an avid Notre Dame and Chicago Bears fan, and a passionate golfer.

Tom is survived by his wife Karin of 36 years, daughter Mary Kate Battles, son Matt McKenna, grandson Max Battles, son-in-law Joseph Battles, daughter-in-law Maggie Shine as well as his brothers Chuck, Dan and Jim, and many nieces and nephews. He also leaves behind many dear, wonderful golfing friends at Sand Creek Country Club and the many work friends he made over his 40-year career in the steel industry.

Tom will be remembered for being a fiercely loyal companion, father, grandfather and friend, and for his positive outlook on life. "Every day is a good day" was a phrase he said each day, which is a memory that will continue to inspire everyone who knew him.

HONORING BURKE DALTON

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Burke Dalton. Burke is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 96, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Burke has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Burke has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Burke has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Burke organized and sold memorabilia from the archives of Village of Jameson, Missouri, as a fundraiser for the Village.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Burke Dalton for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING MARY BUTLER

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mary Butler and to celebrate her retirement after 27 years of public service to Napa County.

Ms. Butler began her career when she graduated from Sonoma State University with a Bachelor's in Psychology and a Master's in Counseling. Since then, her tenure has been marked by both practicality and purpose. As a crisis worker, she began her career managing children's mental health at the Child Welfare Services Court Unit and supervised behavioral health for their Mental Health Divisions.

In 2002, Ms. Butler led the Napa County Probation Department where she championed important issues like implementing Evidence Based Practice (EBP), a practice designed to identify and treat the reasons people commit crime, and was instrumental in the passing of AB 109, legislation that transferred jurisdiction of juvenile offenders from the state government to the county government. Her passion for restorative justice is a mark of compassion that has set the tone for the future of juvenile justice in Napa County and across the State of California.

As the President of the Chief Probation Officers of California, she was responsible for opening the Napa County Juvenile Justice Center. Through Ms. Butler's efforts and leadership, Napa County has effectively diverted youth offenders from juvenile hall and left significantly more juvenile hall beds empty. And now, after 17 years of service as the Chief Probation Officer, Ms. Butler is the current, longest-tenured Chief in the State of California.

Madam Speaker, thanks to Mary Butler's work, many children have been taught how to succeed regardless of their circumstances. She is a community hero, visionary and an example of public service for us all. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor Mary Butler here today.

HONORING FRANK OWEN OF
CARBONDALE, IL

HON. MIKE BOST

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. BOST. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Frank Owen of Carbondale, Illinois upon the celebration of his 100th birthday. Frank has lived an eventful and fruitful life filled with laughs, family, and a commitment to his country and community.

Born January 12, 1920, Frank has collected a century's worth of memories, many of which began with his childhood in and around Carbondale. In fact, his family doctor had to trudge through snow on horseback to reach Frank's mother in labor and help deliver the baby. When World War II broke out, Frank selflessly joined in the effort as a member of the U.S. Navy.

He is widely regarded as a great storyteller who loves to give back to his friends and neighbors. In years past, Frank has visited numerous local schools to tell students about his experiences during the Great Depression and teach them the lessons he learned along the way. He spent his recent birthday celebrating, drinking and eating with his children and dozens of friends at his local church. I can think of no better way to mark a milestone.

Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing Frank Owen for this great milestone. On behalf of Southern Illinois, happy birthday.

CONGRATULATING DELTACON
GLOBAL FOR EARNING THE HIRE
VETS MEDALLION DEMONSTRATION
AWARD

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. OLSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Deltacon Global for earning an Honoring Investments in Recruiting and Employing American Military Veterans (HIRE Vets) Medallion Program Demonstration Award.

As a Navy veteran, I know all too well the incredible sacrifices our veterans make while protecting America from dangers both foreign and domestic, often risking life and limb. Deltacon Global has gone above and beyond helping veterans successfully transition into the private sector at the conclusion of their service.

The Hire Medallion was awarded to Deltacon Global for their efforts recruiting, hiring and training veterans for their business. As our nation's military transition from active duty to veteran status, their skills and talent are needed in our nation's workforce. I'm pleased to see companies like Deltacon Global tapping into this incredible talent.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, I congratulate Deltacon Global, on their achievement. Their commitment to bettering the lives of our nation's veterans is an inspiring example of the many ways American businesses can thank our veterans for their service by providing them with the dignity of work.

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HONORING LACHLAN CHARLES
GIBSON

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Lachlan Charles Gibson. Lachlan is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 96, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Lachlan has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Lachlan has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Lachlan has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Lachlan remodeled the concession stand at Dockery Park in Gallatin, Missouri.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Lachlan Charles Gibson for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

IN RECOGNITION OF SACRAMENTO
AREA BUSINESS LEADERS

HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Ms. MATSUI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the many outstanding business leaders in California's Capital Region being honored at the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce's 125th annual dinner and business awards ceremony. Those being honored are dedicated to the success of the region and have worked tirelessly to advance its economic vitality. I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring these fine Sacramentans, and in thanking the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce for its tireless efforts to promote business in northern California.

Kevin Nagle, a businessman, key investor and CEO of the Sacramento Republic FC and minority owner of the Sacramento Kings, is being honored as the 2019 Sacramentan of the Year. Mr. Nagel has demonstrated his commitment to this city year after year, helping to ensure the Kings stayed in Sacramento and taking the Sacramento Republic FC from a startup team to a Major League Soccer organization. Mr. Nagle is a tremendous advocate and has brought a much-needed energy and vigor to our region.

James Beckwith, President & CEO of Five Star Bank since 2003 and Board of Director of the Greater Sacramento Economic Council, is the 2019 Businessman of the Year. Mr. Beckwith serves his clients with an entrepreneurial and empathetic spirit and believes in helping our region grow. Throughout his tenure with Five Star Bank, Mr. Beckwith has invested deeply in our community though not only Five Star Bank, but his involvement in the Sacramento Angels. His work has helped not

only Five Star Bank grow but has facilitated success for numerous local startup ventures.

Patricia 'Trish' Rodriguez, Senior Vice President and Area Manager of Kaiser Permanente since 2010 is the 2019 Businesswoman of the Year. A longtime RN, Ms. Rodriguez is responsible for the provision of health care to more than 247,000 Kaiser Permanente members in the South Sacramento County area. Ms. Rodriguez works to improve not only community health, but economic health in our region and in addition to her Board role with the Sacramento Metro Chamber, is a Board Member for the American Heart Association.

The Salvation Army is being inducted into the Centennial Business Hall of Fame. Started in 1865, the Salvation Army aims to reach our most vulnerable community members through a variety of compassionate services. From youth programs, to adult rehabilitation centers, the Salvation Army provides services to community members at every stage of their lives. They have locations in virtually every section of the world, helping in over 100 hundred countries.

Honey has been named the 2019 Small Business of the Year. Founded in 2008, the female-led design and marketing studio has expertise in food, beverage, and agriculture industries. Honey is committed to creating the best and most aesthetic designs for their clients and are passionate about their craft. They have been developing designs for over ten years for industries such as winemakers, restaurants, events, and cannabis.

Debra Oto-Kent, Founder and Executive Director of the Health Education Council, is receiving the 2019 Al Geiger Memorial Award. She founded the Council over twenty-eight years ago in order to reduce health disparities between communities. The Council builds partnerships with existing institutions in order to share resources and knowledge across the greater health community.

Bill Mueller, CEO of Valley Vision, is receiving the 2019 Peter McCuen Award for Civic Entrepreneurs. For thirteen years, Mr. Mueller has taken on complex challenges and has pushed community inspired and researched based solutions through his role of CEO. He has had a big role in improving the Sacramento area's diverse communities.

Verna Sulpizio Hull, Director of Strategic Partnerships at Visit Sacramento, is the 2019 Metro EDGE Young Professional of the Year. Verna has been working to integrate local partnerships and businesses into Sacramento's tourism economy allowing for higher revenues and a larger growth in Sacramento's economy.

Madam Speaker, I am honored to recognize these individuals and businesses for their contributions to the Sacramento region that I love. I ask all my colleagues to join me in commending them for their unwavering commitment to the Sacramento region.

CONGRATULATING ASHLEY LIN ON BECOMING A DISTINGUISHED FINALIST IN THE PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARDS PROGRAM

HON. JAIME HERRERA BEUTLER

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Ashley Lin of Vancouver, Washington, on becoming a distinguished finalist and top volunteer in the 2020 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program.

These annual awards were founded in 1995 to highlight individuals' service to our communities, and to encourage younger members of this nation to continue this tradition early on and throughout their lives.

Ashley, a junior at Union High School in Southwest Washington, founded and runs the organization "Project Exchange." This organization has been central in recruiting participants, designing curriculum, and securing funding to bring cross-cultural learning experiences to 250 middle and high school students from over 20 countries. She attributes the motivation to create this program to her time serving as a U.S. Youth Ambassador to Uruguay.

Once again, I want to extend my sincerest congratulations to Ashley on becoming a distinguished finalist in this program. I also applaud Ashley for bringing these opportunities to students from all over the world, and enhancing their educational experiences.

HONORING GABRIEL HACKING

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Gabriel Hacking. Gabriel is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 96, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Gabriel has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Gabriel has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Gabriel has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Gabriel rehabilitated the rear entrance of the Active Aging Resource Center in Gallatin, Missouri, clearing weeds and painting the back and side walls of the building.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Gabriel Hacking for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING PASSAIC CHIEF OF
POLICE LUIS GUZMAN**HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. PASCRELL. Madam Speaker, I rise on this year's Dominicans on the Hill Day to recognize an invaluable member of the City of Passaic community, Chief of Police Luis Guzman. Chief Guzman is an accomplished, twenty-nine-year veteran of the City of Passaic Police Department, where he rose through the ranks to be appointed as the first ever Dominican-born Chief of Police of the City of Passaic on July 10, 2017.

Chief Guzman began his law enforcement career as a correction officer with the Passaic County Sheriff's Department in January 1990. Later that year he was hired as a police officer by the City of Passaic, becoming the first Dominican-born officer in the city's history. While in the New Jersey State Police Academy, he received the Distinguished Graduate Award for ranking at the top of his class. He served as a beat officer for the subsequent three years and a patrol officer for the next four before being assigned to the Detective Bureau in the Passaic County Sheriff's Department as a criminal investigator.

In February 2000, Chief Guzman was promoted to Sergeant and assigned to supervise detectives, concurrently working in the patrol division of his department's Community Policing Unit. In October 2004, he was promoted to Lieutenant, where he held the position of Commander of several patrol shifts, the Detective Bureau, and the Internal Affairs Division.

In September 2011, Chief Guzman was promoted to Captain and was assigned to commander of all uniformed divisions. In October 2013, he was promoted to Deputy Chief and assigned to oversee the operations division. In July 2017, Chief Guzman was made the first ever Dominican-born Chief of Police in the City of Passaic, promoted by Mayor Hector Carlos Lora, also of Dominican heritage.

During his tenure at the helm of the Passaic Police Department, Chief Guzman has managed a department that has presided over a substantial reduction in crime.

For over twenty-five years, Chief Guzman has given back to his community through one of his foremost passions, baseball. Chief Guzman has volunteered to coach youth baseball from T-ball to the American Legion League in the City of Passaic. He has regularly organized police softball and basketball games with members of the City of Passaic community.

Chief Guzman has further demonstrated his spirit of giving back through his time as an adjunct professor at Passaic County Community College, where he has taught Criminal Justice for the past fifteen years.

As Co-Chair of the Congressional Law Enforcement Caucus, I am honored to recognize Chief Luis Guzman, who has been a tremendous leader, mentor, and public servant in the City of Passaic.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you join our colleagues, Chief Guzman's coworkers, family and friends, all those whose lives he has touched, and me, in recognizing the tireless dedication and steadfast service of Chief of Police Luis Guzman.

HONORING THE LIFE OF ROBERT
"BOB" M. SANDERS**HON. JIM COSTA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the life of my friend, Mr. Robert "Bob" M. Sanders, who passed away on December 17, 2019. Bob was a selfless public servant and hardworking American citizen, who left an impact on those who had the pleasure of knowing him.

Bob was born in Tulare, California and raised in Merced. He graduated from Merced High School and went on to attend California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo. Bob joined the California National Guard and attended artillery school in Fort Still, Oklahoma. On his flight home after his initial service, he was seated next to California Assemblyman Gordan Winton, which would send his career path in a new direction. Assemblyman Winton hired Bob as his aide in his Sacramento office and he also worked on his campaign in 1966. After Assemblyman Winton declined to run for reelection, Bob ran for the seat himself. During the 1968 California primary, Bob traveled the Central Valley with presidential candidate Robert Kennedy, one of his most treasured memories.

Bob met the love of his life, Suzanne White while they both worked for the United Teachers of Los Angeles. Bob eventually moved on to work as Chief of Staff for Los Angeles City Councilman Zev Yaroslavsky. Later in life, he worked for Rusty Areias and served as my first district director after my election to the House of Representatives. Assembly Speaker's Office and the Senate Democratic Caucus. Bob's impressive career made him a well-respected figure in California politics.

Outside of politics, Bob enjoyed poetry, sports, and wrote scripts, directed and did voiceovers for military training films. Bob loved his family most of all and enjoyed being around his beloved friends. His knowledge of political trivia and baseball statistics was unmatched.

Bob was preceded in death by his father Marvin, mother Anna, and his younger sister, Jo Anna.

Bob is survived by his wife, Suzanne, daughter Erica, by his brothers Jim and Jeff, and his many cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of my dear friend, Robert "Bob" M. Sanders. His commitment and dedication to the State of California was clear. We join his family and friends in honoring his great life.

HONORING LAURALYN CASTLE

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Lauralyn Castle for years of extraordinary public service and to celebrate her retirement from the Sonoma County Veterans Services Office.

Mrs. Castle attended Sacramento State University where she earned a Bachelor of

Science in Communications. She has used her ability to connect with others in her important work at the Sonoma County Veterans Services Office. As the Senior Veterans Service Specialist, Mrs. Castle has spent over a decade supporting and encouraging veterans and their families in meaningful and lasting ways. She recognizes the incredible sacrifices that our nation's men and women in uniform make, and she works tirelessly each day to ensure that every veteran receives the proper care and benefits that they are entitled to.

Mrs. Castle is extraordinary in many ways. She consistently makes time to serve in various capacities in our community. She has spent years helping those that struggle with addiction as a mentor for Alcoholics Anonymous. She is an active member in her local church congregation where she enjoys serving as a liturgist. Those who know her best say that she is direct and honest. She has a big heart and is willing to do everything in her power to help the people around her.

Madam Speaker, Mrs. Castle is the kind of citizen we should all strive to be. Her retirement marks the end of a decade of committed service. Though her important contributions at Sonoma County Veterans Services Office will be greatly missed, we know and trust that she will continue to devote her time and energy to serving all in our community. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor her here today.

HONORING ZAYDEN HACKING

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Zayden Hacking. Zayden is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 96, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Zayden has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Zayden has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Zayden has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Zayden rehabilitated the back alley and storage area of the Gallatin Theater League in Gallatin, Missouri, pulling weeds, painting trim, leveling stairs, and removing 40 years' worth of debris that had accumulated around the storage shed.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Zayden Hacking for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING JERRY BROOKS

HON. GREG STANTON

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. STANTON. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the life and legacy of Jerry Brooks, former mayor of Chandler, Arizona, who

passed away Tuesday, January 14, 2020. A Vietnam veteran and renaissance man, Mayor Brooks served in the U.S. military for 30 years. His greatest legacy as mayor was establishing the Chandler Performing and Visual Arts Center, a welcoming and innovative performance space that bonds our community together through arts and culture.

Jerrell W. Brooks was born in San Antonio, Texas, on November 23, 1930, to Marion and Viola Brooks. After moving to Arizona as a child, Brooks attended Phoenix Union High School. Just shy of graduation, Brooks enlisted in the U.S. Marines after being inspired by those who served in the second World War. After his discharge in 1950, Brooks returned to Arizona and completed a construction engineering degree at Arizona State University in 1954. Following graduation, he was commissioned in the U.S. Air Force through the university's ROTC program. Brooks retired as a colonel after serving in Vietnam, in 1977 after 30 years of service.

Brooks moved to Chandler in his retirement and began to observe that the city's infrastructure could not keep pace with rapid growth and development in the community. It inspired him to become active in local politics. Brooks won a seat on the Chandler City Council in 1982 and was elected mayor just two years later. True to his word, during his four-year term as mayor, Mayor Brooks paved roads, built infrastructure, and annexed land in south Chandler to build new streets and utility infrastructure to serve future residents of the city.

His lasting legacy and the crown jewel of Chandler is the Chandler Performing and Visual Arts Center. Mayor Brooks advocated and fought for a performing arts center that would attract new employers, entertainers, and families to Chandler and transform a quiet agricultural town into a thriving, family-friendly, diverse and welcoming community. He lived to see his vision come to fruition. Future generations of Chandler residents will undoubtedly be affected by the cultural opportunities available in their own city thanks to Mayor Brooks' vision for the Center.

Thank you to Mayor Brooks, and Godspeed.

RECOGNIZING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF VISIT HUNTINGTON BEACH

HON. HARLEY ROUDA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. ROUDA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Visit Huntington Beach on the celebration of its 30th Anniversary and the opening of a new office.

Visit Huntington Beach was formed in 1989 as a destination marketing program and has grown into the only local organization charged with the responsibility of promoting tourism and encouraging its continued growth in the City. Its mission is to use Huntington Beach's Surf City USA brand to maintain the City's status as the quintessential California beach destination. Since its founding thirty years ago, Visit Huntington Beach has successfully lived up to this mission and showed the wonders of Huntington Beach to the country and the world.

In 2018 alone, overnight visitors generated \$91 million in tax revenue and generated

nearly \$20 million for the City's general fund. This revenue is vital to funding critical community services, such as police, fire, public works, and parks.

I ask all Members to join me in recognizing the extraordinary work and contributions of Visit Huntington Beach and their efforts to ensure a better and more efficient experience for both visitors and residents of Huntington Beach.

HONORING CARLETON D. NASH III

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Carleton D. Nash III. Carleton is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 96, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Carleton has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Carleton has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Carleton has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Carleton constructed a playground for Cainsville R-1 Preschool in Cainsville, Missouri.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Carleton D. Nash III for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

COMMITTEE JURISDICTION ON H.R. 3851, THE TRAVEL PROMOTION, ENHANCEMENT, AND MODERNIZATION ACT

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, I include in the RECORD an exchange of correspondence between myself and Chairman BENNIE THOMPSON acknowledging the Committee on Homeland Security's agreement to waive consideration of H.R. 3851 did not in any way diminish or alter the Committee's jurisdiction on this or similar legislation in the future.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY,
Washington, DC, January 13, 2020.

Hon. FRANK PALLONE,
Chairman, Committee on Energy and Commerce,
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMAN PALLONE: I write to you regarding H.R. 3851, the "Travel Promotion, Enhancement, and Modernization Act of 2019."

H.R. 3851 contains provisions that fall within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Homeland Security. I share your interest in seeing this legislation implemented and accordingly, I will not seek a sequential referral of the bill. However, agreeing to waive consideration of this bill should not be construed as the Committee on Homeland Security

waiving, altering, or otherwise affecting its jurisdiction over subject matters contained in the bill which fall within its Rule X jurisdiction.

I would also ask that a copy of this letter and your response be included in the legislative report on H.R. 3851 and in the Congressional Record.

I look forward to working with you on this and other important legislation in the future.

Sincerely,

BENNIE G. THOMPSON,
Chairman.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE,
Washington, DC, January 16, 2020.

Hon. BENNIE G. THOMPSON,
Chairman, Committee on Homeland Security,
Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMAN THOMPSON: Thank you for consulting with the Committee on Energy and Commerce and agreeing to be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3851, the Travel Promotion, Enhancement, and Modernization Act.

As you know, this legislation became law as part of P.L. 116-94, the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020. I agree that your forgoing further action on this measure did not in any way diminish or alter the jurisdiction of your committee or prejudice its jurisdictional prerogatives on this measure or similar legislation in the future. I agree that your Committee will be appropriately consulted and involved if similar legislation moves forward.

I will place our letters on H.R. 3851 into the Congressional Record. I appreciate your cooperation regarding this legislation and look forward to continuing to work together.

Sincerely,

FRANK PALLONE, JR.,
Chairman.

CONGRATULATING LORI CHRISTIAN ON BECOMING A DISTINGUISHED FINALIST IN THE PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARDS PROGRAM

HON. JAIME HERRERA BEUTLER

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Lori Christian of Chehalis, Washington, on becoming a distinguished finalist and top volunteer in the 2020 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program.

These annual awards were founded in 1995 to highlight individuals' service to our communities, and to encourage younger members of this nation to continue this tradition early on and throughout their lives.

Lori, a junior at "William F. West High School" in Southwest Washington, founded the organization "Teens for Abused Children (TFAC)", which works with local hospitals and Child Protective Services to assist with cases involving abused children. Lori has also worked independently to raise awareness for related issues. She has also organized community toy, clothing, and diaper drives.

Once again, I want to extend my sincerest congratulations to Lori on becoming a distinguished finalist in this program and applaud Lori's commitment to improving her community.

HONORING JONATHAN FARRELL
STOOR

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Jonathan Farrell Stoor. Jonathan is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 96, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Jonathan has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Jonathan has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Jonathan has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Jonathan worked in Ketren Cemetery in Gallatin, Missouri, mowing and cleaning up the property, repaired broken headstones, and logged the gravesites into an online portal for genealogical researchers.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Jonathan Farrell Stoor for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING JANICE DUNNE FOR
HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO
THE COMMUNITY

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Madam Speaker, the Erie County Democratic Committee will gather on Friday, February 7th to honor Janice Dunne with the Joseph F. Crangle Legacy Award. The award is named for our legendary former county and state chairman and is the gold standard for local Democrats; it rightfully raises Janice's name among the great leaders of our party and commemorates her service both to her community and to the Democratic Party.

Janice has played an integral role in her hometown Democratic committee for the last forty years, as a member of its Nominating Committee, Executive Committee, and Vice Chair. Never afraid to get her hands dirty, Janice engages in all aspects of grassroots political work from campaigning and canvassing, to fundraising and recruiting new members to the party.

Ms. Dunne has been on the frontlines of local, state, and national campaigns since she became involved in politics in 1980. Throughout her career, she has singlehandedly collected thousands of signatures door-to-door, planted hundreds of yard signs, raised thousands of dollars for local candidates, and labored tirelessly on the issues central to the Democratic Party platform.

In 1992, Janice made her way to public office as Town of Amherst Deputy Clerk, a title she would hold for the next five years. From there, she worked in the Amherst Town Su-

pervisor's office until she ultimately retired from town government in 1999. Even though she was no longer working directly in local government, Janice's passion for public service did not wane.

Janice went on to serve as a delegate in multiple National Democratic Conventions. Janice was elected to travel to New York City in 1992 to be a delegate for Jerry Brown. Eight years later, she ran again and was elected to attend the convention in Los Angeles as a delegate for Bill Bradley. She was reelected once more in 2008 to be a delegate for then Senator Obama at the National Democratic Convention in Denver.

Although she has officially retired, Janice still spends her time serving the community as one of the founding members of the Eggertsville Community Organization. As a member of the ECO Steering Committee, Janice works to reinvigorate Eggertsville by enforcing often ignored building codes and partnering with the Town of Amherst to begin the construction of a community center in Eggertsville. Beyond these efforts, she is a clerk at the local Board of Elections and serves as a member of the Amherst Democratic Committee and the Erie County Executive Committee.

Janice accumulated a lifetime's worth of accomplishments while simultaneously raising two beautiful daughters: Valerie, an accomplished local photographer, and Tricia, who works in the Erie County Probation Office. Janice's dedication to her country, her community, her family, and her party represents all that is great about Western New York, and I am thankful for the opportunity to honor her and to have the House take note of the many positive contributions she has made throughout our community.

LIFE AND LEGACY OF HON. JOHN
BUCKNER

HON. JOE NEGUSE

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. NEGUSE. Madam Speaker, the Cherry Creek Schools Board of Education recently named the Honorable John Buckner as one of the newest inductees to the Legacy Stadium Educational Leadership Wall of Fame. This honor is so very well-earned, and I join in Cherry Creek Schools' lauding of Mr. Buckner's life and legacy.

State Representative Buckner served as a principal in Colorado schools for decades and was a lifelong advocate for equal access to meaningful education for every student across our state, including by leading his district's work in the areas of equity and inclusive excellence and as Chair of the House Education Committee. He carried these values not only as a school administrator, but also throughout his time as a member of the Colorado State House. As one example of his countless substantial contributions, in the 2014 state legislative session he sponsored the annual school finance bill and successfully increased funding for English language learners and created an additional 5,000 pre-K and full-day kindergarten slots for at-risk children.

Rep. Buckner was a mentor to countless Coloradans, myself included. He served his community with dedicated grace and thought-

ful policymaking, and set an example for what steadfast, meaningful leadership looks like for so many future leaders. That legacy continues each day through Rep. Buckner's wife Janet who, since his passing in 2015, has held his State House seat and taken up the mantle on countless issues that John championed.

I am so pleased that Rep. Buckner is receiving this well-earned honor, and I join in this recognition alongside so many people and organizations in Colorado who continue to benefit from the leadership he demonstrated each and every day.

IN RECOGNITION OF MRS. ANNE
COX CHAMBERS UPON HER DEATH

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I want to recognize the life and accomplishments of Anne Cox Chambers, who passed away on Friday, January 31, 2020, at the age of 100.

Mrs. Anne Cox Chambers was a member of the namesake Atlanta-based media company, Cox Enterprises—an instrumental medium for news reporting, talk shows, music, and sports in Georgia and across the country. She took on a leadership role in Cox as a member of the Cox Board of Directors and as the chairwoman of Atlanta Newspapers.

She took her knowledge and expertise from those roles to pave new roads for women in Georgia: She became Atlanta's first female bank director when she joined the board of Fulton National Bank, and she was the first woman to serve as a director of the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce.

During her life, she chose to give back every way she could, becoming a philanthropist for causes close to her heart. Mrs. Chambers supported institutions that many Atlanta citizens enjoy today, like the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, the Atlanta Botanical Garden, the Atlanta Speech School, the High Museum of Art, and the Atlanta Humane Society. Her support for the latter culminated in the honor of its annual award bearing her name, the Anne Cox Chambers Humane Heroine award.

Anne embodied what it meant to be a public servant. Under President Jimmy Carter, she was appointed Ambassador to Belgium. Her work led to a stronger relationship between the United States, Georgia, and Belgium. Belgium's King Baudouin I recognized her contributions by presenting her with the Order of the Crown, one of Belgium's highest honors.

While Mrs. Chambers may be gone, her legacy will not be forgotten. Her love and service for Georgia and her country were inspirational and her leadership as a woman paved the way for other women who will come after her. She set an example for us all of what it means to be someone who gives more to others than she takes in return.

I want to offer my deepest condolences to the extended family and friends of Anne Cox Chambers during this time.

HONORING DR. AMARJIT SINGH
MARWAH

HON. BRAD SHERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. SHERMAN. Madam Speaker, on the occasion of his 94th birthday, I rise today to honor Dr. Amarjit Singh Marwah, a pioneer in the Indian American community and a Los Angeles civic icon.

Since coming to the United States in 1953 as a Fulbright scholar, Dr. Marwah has been a trailblazer. Drawing on an educational pedigree that included fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation, the University of Illinois, Chicago (where he pursued an MS in Pathology), Howard University (where he completed a two-year program in Doctor in Dental Surgery), and a professorship at the University of Southern California, Dr. Marwah became the first Indian doctor in the United States to obtain a license to practice dentistry.

Dr. Marwah also helped make U.S. history through his work on Dalip Singh Saund's congressional campaign. As a young aide to the candidate, Dr. Marwah helped propel Saund to victory in the 1956 election, ushering in the first Sikh American, the first Indian American and the first Asian American ever elected to the U.S. Congress.

Being a pioneer, Dr. Marwah has worked to encourage and grow the nascent Sikh American community of Southern California, of which he is a member. For many years, his Baldwin Hills home served as a place of respite for the immigrant community; and Dr. Marwah founded just the third Sikh Temple in the United States, whose location in Hollywood now bears the name "Dr. Amarjit Singh Marwah Square."

As a friend and advisor of Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley, Dr. Marwah made an indelible mark on Los Angeles civic life. Dr. Marwah was appointed a Los Angeles City Commissioner in 1975 and served for 18 years. He chaired the Cultural Heritage Commission and the Hollywood Art Commission, and he helped to preserve over 300 sites, including the Walk of Fame and the Roosevelt Hotel.

As a public servant, a leader in the Indian American community and a philanthropist, Dr. Marwah has made a positive impact on countless people around the world. Dr. Marwah was supported in all these endeavors by his late wife, Kuljit Kaur Marwah, as well as his three daughters and their spouses and grandchildren.

I wish my friend Dr. Amarjit Singh Marwah a very happy and healthy 94th birthday.

HONORING KERRY SMITH

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Kerry Smith for years of exceptional public service to the young people of Lake County, California and to honor her as the Lake County Teacher of the Year.

Ms. Smith was born and raised in Lake County, California. She graduated from Kelseyville High School before earning her AA in Child Development at Santa Rosa Junior College. She attended Sonoma State University, where she graduated with a degree in Environmental Studies and a Multiple Subject Teaching Credential with an emphasis in early childhood education. These outstanding credentials coupled with her passion and diligence enable Ms. Smith to connect with her students and enlarge their understanding.

Kerry Smith is outstanding in many ways. As a Resource Teacher for students grades six through eight at Mountain Vista Middle School, it is Ms. Smith's responsibility to provide support to students who need additional help in math. In this role, she has spearheaded a model that allows a collaboration of math teachers to help struggling students. This approach has been so successful that nearly all her students are no longer in need of additional help and are performing well in their respective math classes. She not only has the instructional skills required to be a highly effective teacher, but also holds those intangible qualities that are at the heart of a successful educator. She is beloved by her students, often described as funny, kind, exciting, friendly, and positive.

Ms. Smith is a natural leader. She has mentored many new educators throughout her career and continues to inspire those around her with her joyful attitude and dedication to her students. Teachers travel from across the school district to observe Ms. Smith in her classroom and they always leave impressed. She is the model of a lifelong learner, one that is constantly striving to improve her own practice and eager to try a new approach.

Madam Speaker, there is not another individual who exemplifies the profession of teaching better than Kerry Smith. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor Ms. Kerry Smith here today.

**RECOGNIZING AIDAN COHEN AS
CONSTITUENT OF THE MONTH**

HON. MIKE LEVIN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Mr. LEVIN of California. Madam Speaker, it's my honor to recognize 17-year old North County resident, Aidan Cohen, as my Constituent of the Month for January. In a moment of quick instinct, Aidan heroically rushed to help his next door neighbor, pulling him from his burning home and saving his life.

On the evening of December 12, 2019, Aidan Cohen and his older brother Ryan were enjoying a late-night snack when the power suddenly went out. Soon after, the brothers heard an explosion and rushed outside to find their next door neighbor's home engulfed in flames.

The brothers shouted the owner's name, but received no response. Overcome by smoke he had collapsed on the hallway floor. Aidan spotted him through a window, and without hesitation, broke the back door open and pulled the neighbor out to safety.

Everyone involved was grateful for our local first responders who were on the scene minutes later to administer first aid to the neighbor and save Aidan's family home.

I launched a Constituent of the Month program to recognize individuals who have gone above and beyond to make our region a stronger place for everyone to live and thrive. Aidan's selflessness is an extraordinary reminder that in severe times of need, setting aside our own fears to assist one another is a crucial foundation of community. I thank Aidan for being an exemplary model of true neighborly kindness in California's 49th District.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, February 6, 2020 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

FEBRUARY 11

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine United States strategy in Afghanistan.

SD-G50

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine a roadmap for effective cybersecurity, focusing on what states, locals, and the business community should know and do.

SD-342

10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Subcommittee on Manufacturing, Trade, and Consumer Protection

To hold hearings to examine the state of intercollegiate athlete compensation.

SD-106

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine ensuring appropriate medical care for children.

SD-226

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management

To hold hearings to examine the Afghanistan Papers, focusing on costs and benefits of America's longest war.

SD-342

Committee on the Judiciary

Subcommittee on Intellectual Property

To hold hearings to examine the Digital Millennium Copyright Act at 22, focusing on what it is, why was it enacted, and where are we now.

SD-226

FEBRUARY 12

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine protecting the United States from global pandemics.

SD-342

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the Semi-annual Monetary Policy Report to the Congress.

SD-538

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine space missions of global importance, focusing on planetary defense, space weather pro-

tection, and space situational awareness.

SH-216

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine pending nominations.

SD-226

10:15 a.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine United States-Libya policy.

SD-419

FEBRUARY 13

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Jessie K. Liu, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Terrorism and Fi-

nancial Crimes, Department of the Treasury, and Judy Shelton, of California, and Christopher Waller, of Minnesota, both to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

SD-538

FEBRUARY 25

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine surface transportation reauthorization, focusing on public transportation stakeholders' perspectives.

SD-538