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ED THE CONGRESSIONAL GOLD
MEDAL

HON. ADAM SMITH

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 21, 2020

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor and recognize Eugene "Gene" Moy for his courageous service to our country during World War II and celebrate him being awarded the Congressional Gold Medal.

Gene Moy is a Chinese American veteran who accepted the call to serve his country without hesitation. Gene served in the Pacific on New Caledonia, Guadalcanal, and the Philippines. However, like so many minorities, Chinese American veterans did not receive the recognition they deserved for their service.

Gene, who the Chinese American Citizens Alliance said is the oldest living Chinese American World War II veteran, recently turned 103 years old and was finally awarded the Congressional Gold Medal, an honor he should have received long ago. He had planned on traveling to Washington DC to attend a ceremony to receive his medal. Unfortunately, the global health crisis has caused the ceremony to be postponed.

Madam Speaker, it is with great admiration and gratitude that I recognize Gene Moy on being awarded the Congressional Gold Medal and honor all Chinese American veterans for their distinguished service to our country during World War II.

RECOGNIZING MARY BALDWIN

HON. LOIS FRANKEL

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 21, 2020

Ms. FRANKEL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mary Baldwin, a local hero from Florida's 21st Congressional District who has gone above and beyond for students in our community.

Mary has worked at Wellington Landing Middle School since 1999, and currently serves as their Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Administrator and Assistant Principal. As an educator of over 35 years, Mary is known for going the extra mile with her students, often counseling her kids all the way through their time at Wellington Landing and sometimes even keeping in touch with them through high school and beyond. During the COVID-19 public health crisis, Mary has gone even further to support our local students by establishing a summer school program designed to support 8th graders who struggled with the new distance learning protocols implemented during the spring semester. Mary worked one-on-one with each student in the program and everyone enrolled was able to pass and move on to high school.

Mary's selflessness and compassion during this difficult time is truly humbling. Her outstanding work has touched countless lives, and I am so thankful for her dedication to our community. I am proud to honor her today.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE
OF ROLAND JOHNSON

HON. DEBRA A. HAALAND

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. HAALAND. Madam Speaker, it is with great pride and deep sadness that I rise to honor my dear friend and former Governor of the Pueblo of Laguna, Roland Johnson. I join his family and our shared Laguna Pueblo community in honoring his memory and life's work, which he always dedicated to helping others.

Throughout his career in public service, Roland led by example, always doing the most to elevate the Laguna Pueblo culture and traditions that he cherished. At age 22, he was elected Secretary of the Pueblo and was the youngest person yet elected to office. In the years that followed, he went on to join the Federal Service, serving the Southwest Bureau of Indian Affairs region intermittently for 30 years. In between this service, Roland led his people as Governor for three terms (1975 through 1977, 1995 through 1998, and 2003 through 2006).

While in office, Governor Roland Johnson bolstered Laguna's economic standing and supported job creation by opening an electronics component manufacturing plant. Roland also worked diligently to preserve Laguna traditions through his fluency of our Native Keres language. Governor Johnson incorporated this gift into the work he did with outside partnerships so that the tribe's interests were always at the center of decision-making processes.

A born leader, Roland Johnson has left a lasting impression on our Laguna Pueblo and has inspired a long and growing list of current and future tribal leaders. This is thanks not only to his ability to make respectful and practical decisions, but also to his use of traditional values to guide his professional career.

His legacy is rooted in the importance of education: by cultivating a solid foundation in the Pueblo tradition, he dedicated his career to both preserving Pueblo culture and creating opportunities for the Laguna people close to home. Additionally while in office, Governor Johnson responded to the need for graduate education support by implementing the Laguna Graduate Scholarship Program.

He will be remembered as an historical visionary—someone who always looked to the past to guide his plans for the future. I send my deepest condolences to Roland Johnson's family and friends.

CONGRATULATING DR. MULATU
LEMMMA AND MS. MEGAN HEBERLE

HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 21, 2020

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate two incredible teachers and mentors, Dr. Mulatu Lemma of Savannah, Georgia, and Ms. Megan Heberle of Savannah, Georgia.

Dr. Lemma received a Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Mentoring, or PAESMEM, and Ms. Megan Heberle received one of the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching, or the PAEMST.

PAESMEM and PAEMST are both administered by the National Science Foundation on behalf of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy.

These awards recognize outstanding teaching and mentoring efforts that enhance the participation and retention of individuals who might not otherwise have considered or had access to opportunities in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, or STEM.

Each awardee receives a certificate signed by the President, a \$10,000 award from NSF, and a trip to Washington, DC.

Because of his wealth of knowledge, Dr. Lemma was designated as a Distinguished Professor through Savannah State University in 2011.

In 2013, he received the prestigious title of Georgia Professor of the Year and recently became one of the most awarded professors in the state of Georgia.

Ms. Heberle has also excelled at teaching science and coordinated the scientific research program at Islands High School for six years.

Currently, she teaches Scientific Research and Zoology to 9th through 12th grade students. STEM fields are critical to our nation's health and prosperity, so it is imperative to have leaders like Dr. Lemma and Ms. Heberle guiding and supporting our leaders of tomorrow.

They both have made an everlasting impact on countless students, and I know they will continue to inspire many more. I am thankful for Dr. Lemma and Ms. Heberle's steadfast commitment to their students.

I wish them both the best of luck in the years to come.

CONGRATULATING GENE FRANTZ
FOR HIS ELECTION TO THE NA-
TIONAL ACADEMY OF ENGINEER-
ING

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 21, 2020

Mr. OLSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Gene Frantz of Sugar Land,

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