

President Trump walked together praising the attendees.

With President Trump re-naming Pacific Command to Indo-Pacific Command the alliance of India and America has never been stronger. It is meaningful the world's largest democracy, India, is allied with the oldest democracy, America.

RECOGNIZING THE HARD WORK OF
THE STUDENTS OF HOLLAND
MIDDLE SCHOOL

HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Saturday, August 22, 2020

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Madam Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following letter:

Mr. JOSEPH FABRIZIO,
*Holland Middle School,
Holland, Pennsylvania.*

DEAR MR. FABRIZIO AND THE 8TH GRADE CLASS OF HOLLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL, I appreciate that you and your class took the time to reach out to me. One of the most important things you can do as a citizen, other than vote, is communicate with your elected officials. By writing a letter, sending an email, or making a call, you ensure that I know what you are thinking and that I can better represent you. It may sound cheesy, but the decisions the government makes today will impact you, and eventually it will be your turn to make the decisions in government. My staff and I enjoyed reading the letters you sent about the national debt and the steps we can take in order to improve the situation. I think my colleagues in the House could very much benefit from being able to review them as well, so I will be putting this letter into the Congressional Record. Once submitted, other Representatives will know they can review what you have written. I wanted to make a few points regarding the national debt and the steps I have taken to address the issue. For too long, our government has ignored this issue and refused to address significant budgetary concerns. Two ways we can help address this issue is by balancing the budget and ensuring that each year, Congress approves a budget. I have introduced legislation that focuses on both of these ideas.

The first bill, H.J. Res 11, would amend the Constitution to require that federal government spending does not exceed the amount of revenue that the federal government takes in. This is a requirement that many states, including Pennsylvania, already have. It makes sense that the federal government should as well. Families all across the country have to balance their household budget, the same standard should apply to our own government.

The second bill, H.J. Res. 10, amends the Constitution to prevent Members of Congress from being paid if Congress fails to pass a budget. Eight hundred thousand federal employees and their families were forced to live without paychecks last time Congress failed to agree on a budget. No Member of Congress should accept pay during a shutdown either. This is an important step to restore the American people's faith in Congress and hold public officials accountable. During the 2019 government shutdown, I chose to lead by example when I gave \$10,008.68 of my paycheck back to the U.S. taxpayers.

If you want to stay up to date on what I am doing to address the national debt, or any other issue, feel free to reach out to me. If you ever happen to be in our Nation's cap-

ital, I invite you to stop by your office here in the House of Representatives to say hello, and I would be more than happy to offer you a tour of the Capitol.

Sincerely,

BRIAN FITZPATRICK
Member of Congress

STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AND VETERANS AFFAIRS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021

HON. XOCHITL TORRES SMALL

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Saturday, August 22, 2020

Ms. TORRES SMALL of New Mexico. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize my vote on July 24, 2020 in favor of H.R. 7608, the State-Foreign Operations, Agriculture, Interior-Environment, and Military Construction-Veterans Affairs agencies appropriations package for fiscal year 2021.

Right now, it's more important than ever that we work together to keep all of us, especially our veterans, safe and healthy. This bill provides relief to an outdated and overburdened VA system, invests in rural and water infrastructure systems in need of repair and continues efforts to combat the global pandemic and spur economic recovery.

As we fight to save American lives and rebuild our economy, reports indicate China may have exploited the pandemic for its own advantage. This is unacceptable, which is why I strongly support the Countering Chinese Influence Fund. While the motion to recommit purported to increase funding for the Countering Chinese Influence Fund, it actually defunded the Countering Chinese Influence Fund in a separate account. This type of politically motivated procedure is only a distraction that prevents us from moving forward real, bipartisan solutions that help hold China accountable. Moving forward, I will continue to support legislative measures that hold China accountable for exploiting COVID-19, its combative trade policy, and malign initiatives that threaten our national security.

CONGRATULATING THE PIATT
COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

HON. RODNEY DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Saturday, August 22, 2020

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Madam Speaker, I would like to congratulate the Piatt County Mental Health Center on celebrating 50 years of excellent service to their community. Formed in July of 1970 much has changed on their path to 2020, but their commitment to the people they serve has not.

The Center has excelled in their mission of assisting those in need to achieve recovery and self-sufficiency. They do so by helping clients identify, optimize, and utilize their own strengths and available resources. They do their work grounded in the principles of hope, personal responsibility, support, education and self-advocacy.

For half a century, healthcare professionals at the Piatt County Mental Health Center have provided citizens with important services such as outpatient behavioral health services, addiction counseling, prevention education in schools, and a myriad of support services for adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities. They currently serve over 600 clients every year.

Again, congratulations to the Piatt County Mental Health Center on their 50th anniversary. I wish them and their clients successful outcomes in the years to come.

HONORING OFFICER O.G.

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Saturday, August 22, 2020

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, last week I was grateful to visit the famously friendly community of Pelion, South Carolina, where I met with Town of Pelion Police Officer Odell O.G. Glenn, a full time Police Officer/School Resource Officer/Children's Book Author.

I will always cherish his thoughtfulness to present me two autographed books: The Adventures of Officer O.G. School Cop and the Adventures of Officer O.G. School Cop: School Fire. The series of books are dedicated to all the hard working School Resource Officers who protect children and staff.

In an era of disrespect to law enforcement, Officer Odell "O.G." Glenn is an extraordinary example of the vast majority of law enforcement who are dedicated to protecting American families.

The visit was enhanced by a warm welcome by Chief Mike Crider, Mayor Frank Shumpert, and enthusiastic educators with community leaders.

IN MEMORY OF DR. JOHN DENT
MARSHALL, JR.

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Saturday, August 22, 2020

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a compassionate medical doctor, fiery civil rights activist, a tremendous man of faith, and great friend of longstanding, Dr. John Dent Marshall, Jr. Sadly, Dr. Marshall passed away on August 12, 2020, at the age of 74 after a long and courageous battle with COVID-19. His homegoing service will be held on Saturday, August 22, 2020, at the Hillcrest Abbey West Cemetery at 1:00 p.m. in Savannah, Georgia. On Saturday, August 29, 2020, a memorial service will be held at 1:00 p.m. at the Restoration Church of Americus, Inc. in Americus, Georgia. His passing leaves a tremendous void in the lives of his family, friends, and the countless lives that he touched as a medical doctor and civil rights activist.

Dr. John Dent Marshall, Jr. was born on June 13, 1946, in Savannah, Georgia, the eldest son of the late Lila S. and John D. Marshall, Sr. He was educated in the Chatham County Public School system, where he graduated from Alfred E. Beach High School with