

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING LIEUTENANT  
DAMON LOVELESS, UNITED  
STATES NAVY

**HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, December 8, 2010*

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize those men and women who have served this great Nation with honor, men such as Lieutenant Damon Loveless, United States Navy.

For the past year, Lieutenant Loveless, who has already been selected to become a Lieutenant Commander, served on my staff as a Congressional Defense Fellow. In the last six months of his assignment, he served as my Military Legislative Assistant and as my principal staff member responsible for defense, veterans, foreign affairs and intelligence matters. Lieutenant Loveless executed his work as a liaison to the constituents of the First District and the numerous defense installations in the First District with distinction. Furthermore, he provided exceptional support to me as my staff liaison to the House Armed Services Committee in my role as a Subcommittee Ranking Member and the U.S. Naval Academy in my role as a member of the Board of Visitors.

Lieutenant Loveless directly contributed to my goal of providing excellent constituent service to the people of the First District. He was responsible for bringing numerous constituent inquiries to a successful conclusion and he was able to leverage his personal and operational experience to respond to the most challenging inquiries.

In addition to his efforts on behalf of the First District, Lieutenant Loveless took on projects with regional, state and national implications, demonstrating his ability to view a challenge from many angles and develop innovative solutions often requiring collaboration across many levels of government.

Lieutenant Loveless' work ethic, duty to mission, and commitment to servant leadership is without equal. I believe that his personal drive to achieve excellence in his work has and will set a very high standard for his peers.

I would also like to thank Lieutenant Loveless and his family for the service and sacrifice they make for our Nation and our great Navy. His keen sense of honor, impeccable integrity, boundless work ethic, and loyal devotion to duty earned him the respect and admiration of my staff and the 1st District of Virginia. Lieutenant Loveless is headed back to the Fleet to assume his duties at sea as a leader and mentor to our Nation's Sailors. Furthermore, he is going back into harm's way to execute his trade as Naval Aviator, flying the F/A-18 Super Hornet. I have no doubt that Lieutenant Loveless will continue to serve the United States Navy honorably and with distinction.

I wish him the best of luck as he continues his Naval career. It was an honor and a pleas-

ure having him serve on my staff. We all can sleep soundly at night knowing that men and women like Lieutenant Damon Loveless stand ready to defend our country and take the fight to our enemies; far away from their families and the comforts of the United States of America.

Lieutenant Damon Loveless, thank you. Best of luck to you and God bless you, your family, and your fellow men and women in uniform.

A TRIBUTE TO MRS. ADELE V.  
TRAPP

**HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, December 8, 2010*

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Mrs. Adele V. Trapp.

For 53 years, Mrs. Trapp has served as Den Mother to Cub Pack 263 of the Greater New York Council of Boy Scouts of America, located at St. Philip's Episcopal Church. This dedication earned Mrs. Trapp a spot in the Guinness Word Book of Records.

Mrs. Trapp was born in Barbados, West Indies, and will be turning 97 on February 26th. She is a founding Board Member of St. Mark's Day School and recently retired from the New York City Department of Education, where she received a Quality of Work Life Program Award for 30 years of dedicated service. At the time of her retirement, she was the oldest employee in the Department of Education; this feat was acknowledged in a feature article published in the New York Daily News. Prior to her work with the Department of Education, Mrs. Trapp served as Secretary to the Comptroller in the New York City Transit Authority.

Mrs. Trapp has been honored for her community service by countless officials and organizations, including Brooklyn Borough President, Marty Markowitz and the Crown Heights Lions Club.

In addition to her honors and accolades, Mrs. Trapp is a proponent of the nation's labor movement. As a proud member of DC 37 and the Union shop steward, Mrs. Trapp provided key testimony in the Union's successful efforts to get the Department of Education to pay paraprofessionals on Brooklyn/Queens Day and to compensate them for previous unpaid work on those days.

Mrs. Trapp also has a strong commitment to her faith. She has been a member of St. Philip's Episcopal Church for 67 years and received two awards: the Service to Church and Community Award from St. Matthew's Deanery and the Bishop's Medal of Distinguished Parochial Service.

Besides enjoying the company of her large family and many friends, Mrs. Trapp has been a bowler for 50 years and is a member of the Women's International Bowling Congress. In 2009, she was recognized in El Paso, Texas, for her 30 years of participation in the natural tournaments.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the achievements of Mrs. Adele V. Trapp.

CELEBRATING THE BIRTH OF  
MELIA ENNE WOODWARD

**HON. SAM GRAVES**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, December 8, 2010*

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to celebrate the birth of Melia Enne Woodward. Melia was born on Friday, September 10, 2010, to her proud parents, Ryan and Kristin Woodward of Fruita, Colorado. Melia entered the world at 12:32 p.m. at St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Junction, Colorado, weighing a healthy 7 lbs. 0.7 oz. and 19.5 inches long. Melia also joins her sister, Elliana Kaye Woodward.

Melia also has proud grandparents, Susan Kaye Tanner of Laramie, Wyoming, Cheryl Farmer of Sidney, Nebraska, as well as Bruce Woodward of Maryville, Missouri, to spoil her. Also looking after her from heaven is the late Darrell Earnest Hall of Sidney, Nebraska. Melia is also the nephew of Travis and Sarah Woodward of Kansas City, Missouri, Nathan Woodward of Maryville, Missouri, Sarah Hall of Grand Junction, Colorado, Zach Hall and Zane Hall both of Sidney, Nebraska.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in celebrating the birth of Melia Enne Woodward. I see great things in Melia's future considering her parents' and grandparents' great emphasis on family values, service and patriotism.

I wish Melia the best life has to offer.

CONGRATULATING MAJOR GENERAL GREGORY WAYT ON HIS UPCOMING RETIREMENT FROM THE OHIO NATIONAL GUARD

**HON. PATRICK J. TIBERI**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, December 8, 2010*

Mr. TIBERI. Madam Speaker, with great pleasure I rise to recognize the distinguished career of my constituent, Major General Gregory Wayt on his upcoming retirement from the Ohio National Guard.

The inception of the National Guard dates back over 370 years. Since its origin as colonial militias, the National Guard has protected our nation, has participated in every armed military engagement, and has responded to natural disasters and local emergencies. Guardsman, activated by the state or federal government, respond to protect our citizens. This commitment by National Guardsmen has been vital to the security of our country and the preservation of our liberties. This incredibly important branch of our armed forces' dedication to freedom and safety extends not only to our citizenry but to many around the world.

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