

throughout his career including the Provo City Mayor's Medal of Honor and the Silver Beaver award from the Utah National Parks Council of the Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Densley was also chosen to be a representative of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce to serve on the Western Region Board of Regents. Mr. Densley has served on over 70 boards, committees and councils during his 30-year career.

Steve Densley is a 35-year resident of the city of Provo and the proud husband of Colleen Densley. They have a beautiful family, with six children and 17 grandchildren. Mr. Densley was an All-American football and basketball player at Jordan High School and is an alumnus of Brigham Young University. He was honored with the Distinguished Alumni Award from the same university.

I invite my colleagues to join me in celebrating the accomplishments of this community leader who has served the Utah Valley Chamber of Commerce for the past 30 years. In essence Steve Densley built the Utah Valley Chamber of Commerce into what it is today and will leave a lasting legacy.

ERIKA SOLIS

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 10, 2012*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Erika Solis for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Erika Solis is a 12th grader at Jefferson Senior High and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Erika Solis is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Erika Solis for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all her future accomplishments.

HONORING HOBSON PATRICK  
WOOD

**HON. JOHN J. DUNCAN, JR.**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 10, 2012*

Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I wish today to honor one of the most prominent leaders in my District.

Hobson Patrick Wood, or Pat as he was known by everyone, passed away recently at the age of 83. He was well-known and beloved in Knoxville for his endless optimism and service.

Pat was a longtime friend of mine, and my District is a better place because of him and his tireless effort to make Knoxville a better place, both through his business ventures and through community service.

He is probably best known for his real estate and insurance firm, the Wood Agency, which he created in the 1950's. He later went on to form the Lawler-Wood group, which is responsible for developing large portions of downtown Knoxville, including the old Whittle building now housing the U.S. District Court and my Knoxville District office. Much of the downtown skyline of Knoxville is a product of Pat's community development work.

His business partner, Rodney Lawler, remembered Pat as one of the most generous people he has ever known. He told the Knoxville News Sentinel the only disagreement the two men ever shared was when Pat tried to give him too big a share of a deal they were working on. "We had a disagreement, a sizeable disagreement, over him being too generous to me," Lawler said.

Pat loved Knoxville and spent his entire career there, never losing touch with East Tennessee despite great personal success.

He also served the community as a political leader, being elected to the Knox County Court and serving on the board of the 1982 World's Fair, which he was instrumental in bringing to Knoxville.

I offer my condolences to his three children, five grandchildren, and devoted wife of 25 years, Brenda, who said she will remember Pat as "a loving husband and father and friend."

I too will remember Pat as a good family man who touched the lives of hundreds of people in many positive ways.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my Colleagues and other readers of the RECORD to join me in remembering Pat Wood and the immeasurable impact he made on my District.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. LOUISE McINTOSH SLAUGHTER**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 10, 2012*

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained and missed rollcall vote Nos. 196, 197, and 198. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye" on rollcall vote Nos. 196, 197 and 198.

JACOB CISNEROS

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 10, 2012*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Jacob Cisneros for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Jacob Cisneros is an 11th grader at Jefferson Senior High and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Jacob Cisneros is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Jacob Cisneros for winning the Arvada Wheat

Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all his future accomplishments.

HONORING COMMUNITY HEALTH  
CENTER, INC. AS THEY CELEBRATE  
THEIR 40TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO**

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 10, 2012*

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to rise today to join all of those gathered in congratulating the Community Health Center, Inc. on their 40th anniversary. This is a remarkable milestone for this outstanding organization and I am proud to recognize their invaluable contributions to our community.

Health care is a right, not a privilege. It is a simple motto and the fundamental basis of the establishment of Community Health Center, Inc. Forty years ago, a group of students from Wesleyan University joined with community activists in Middletown—drawn together through a shared vision for affordable, accessible and responsive health care—to create a free clinic to meet the needs of the community. Fueled by idealism and a deep belief that patients should be the cornerstone of whatever was created, the Community Health Center, Inc. was born.

Since its inception, CHC has a fixture in Middletown's downtown community. What began as a free clinic has grown to provide care for 130,000 Connecticut residents—ninety percent of whom live at or near poverty level. Though its main offices remain in Middletown, CHC has expanded to include more than two hundred locations throughout Connecticut. In addition to the provision of primary care, CHC has also become known for its work in two other areas: research innovation through their Weitzman Center as well as training the next generation of health professionals through their residency programs. Recognized as a national model of care, most recently CHC was named by both the Joint Commission and the National Committee for Quality Assurance as a Primary Care Medical Home—the first and only health care organization in Connecticut, and one of the first in the Nation, to receive such a designation.

President and CEO Mark Masselli has been there from the beginning. As a founding member of CHC, Mark has devoted a lifetime of hard work and energies to turning the vision of CHC into a reality. His leadership has been integral to the success of CHC and I would be remiss if I did not extend a special note of congratulations and thanks to Mark for his extraordinary work.

I have had the privilege of working closely with Mark and the team at CHC and have often found myself in awe of the quality and quantity of service that they provide every day. The staff and administration dedicate themselves to providing those most in need with a wide-range of patient-centered medical, dental and behavioral health services. In fact, as they celebrate their 40th Anniversary, they also mark the opening of the newest addition—the Dodd Primary Care Center, a revolutionary