

four-year scholarship for a deserving T.C. Williams High School graduate entering a college in an aviation degree program; and in 2011 the Veteran's Airlift Command was added as an additional benefactor.

Mr. Speaker, as a fellow Kentuckian I am honored and proud to commend Mr. Bollinger for a quarter century of heroic, selfless and successful service to thousands of deserving people. In their names I wish to publicly thank you, Bo, on behalf of all the people whose lives you have enhanced.

RECOGNIZING BERNARD GRAY ON  
HIS ENLISTMENT INTO THE  
UNITED STATES ARMY

**HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2013*

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Bernard Gray, a senior at Glades Central High School in Belle Glade, Florida. Bernard is a fine young man, who has compiled a very good academic record at Glades Central, and will be graduating later this month. He has proudly chosen to enlist in the United States Army.

I want to congratulate Bernard on his decision to serve his country. It is thanks to the dedication of fine individuals such as him, that we are able to meet here in the House of Representatives, and openly debate and legislate on the many issues facing our nation.

Mr. Speaker, Bernard Gray is a selfless and courageous individual. I am certain that he will make us proud with his service. We owe him, as well as all the men and women in uniform an enormous debt of gratitude.

HONORING JOSEPH W. MAHONEY,  
JR.

**HON. ROBERT A. BRADY**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2013*

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor a great Philadelphian whom we mourn today. Joe Mahoney, Jr. was a man that everyone called a friend. As Executive Vice President of the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, Joe was the face of Philadelphia business. He was an eloquent and passionate advocate for the entire business community. But small business was his special love. He and his best friend, his bride Pat, owned a small business themselves. He personally understood the joys and challenges of building and maintaining an enterprise.

There are many adjectives you can use when you talk about Joe. Smart, dedicated, energetic, diplomatic, charming, and knowledgeable are just a few. But the fact that he and Pat were true partners in every sense tells you all that you really need to know. They worked together in support of our region, their alma mater, St. Joseph's University, and in support of local charity. That's the kind of guy Joe was.

Joe was especially gifted in the field of government relations. He worked equally well with

Democrats, Republicans, and Independents. He was at home in the Halls of Congress, the State Legislature, and City Hall. He understood and respected both the executive and legislative branches, as well as business, labor, and the non-profit centers. He worked as well in New Jersey and Delaware as he did in Pennsylvania. He was liked and respected in all of the region's counties. Joe understood how all the pieces fit together to form the complex mosaic that is the Delaware Valley. His life made that mosaic more beautiful. His loss leaves it less so.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to say that I knew Joe. I'm even more honored to say that Joe knew me. He was a friend to all. We all grieve his passing, even as we celebrate his life. I am sure that all of my colleagues join me in expressing our condolences to his family.

A TRIBUTE TO MARISSA FROST

**HON. TOM LATHAM**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2013*

Mr. LATHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate 8th grader Marissa Frost of Urbandale Middle School for being named Iowa's state winner in the Doodle 4 Google art competition.

The Doodle 4 Google competition is held annually by Google and invites students from across the country to use their artistic talents and creativity to redesign Google's homepage themes, which appear on millions of computers across the globe. The nationwide winner is also awarded a scholarship worth \$30,000 and the winner's school will receive a \$50,000 technology grant to establish or improve a computer lab or technology program.

Marissa titled her doodle 'Discover' and portrays her response to the 2013 Doodle 4 Google theme "My Best Day Ever. . ." Her artwork is one of only 50 pieces that have been selected from across the country and was selected by a panel of Google employees for its artistic merit, creativity, and communication of the competition's theme. Marissa's doodle is now displayed in an online gallery where she will compete to be named a national finalist. Representing Iowa in this national competition is an extraordinary reflection of Marissa's talents and artistic ability.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent future leaders like Marissa from the great state of Iowa in the United States Congress. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating her for this achievement, and I wish Miss Frost the best of luck in the remainder of the competition and with her future studies.

CELEBRATING THE CITY OF NEW  
HAVEN ON THE OCCASION OF ITS  
375TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO**

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 6, 2013*

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride and much appreciation that I rise today

to join my hometown of New Haven, Connecticut in commemoration of the City's 375th Anniversary—a remarkable milestone for a very special community. Today, hundreds are gathered not only to pay tribute to our past but to celebrate the unique blend of cultures, traditions, and history that has made our City so strong.

The story of New Haven is the story of America. It was on April 24, 1638, that a group of five hundred English Puritans, led by Reverend John Davenport and Theophilus Eaton and in search of a place where "the word of God shall be the only rule," sailed into the harbor. Upon their arrival they soon met with a local Native American tribe, the Quinnpiack, whose leader, Momauguin, agreed to sell the tribe's land in exchange for the settlers' protection from neighboring raiding bands and the use of the lands east of the harbor. In just two short years a government had been established and the settlement, based on a grid of nine squares with the central square as the public common or Green, was flourishing. In 1784, New Haven was incorporated as a city and Roger Sherman, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence was elected its first mayor.

The history of New Haven is in fact a reflection of our nation's great history. It was in New Haven in 1775, the day after Lexington and Concord, or as we call it Powder House Day, that Benedict Arnold demanded the keys to the local powder house so that patriots could use it in defense of the colonies. It was in New Haven, that Eli Whitney developed the cotton gin and interchangeable parts revolutionizing the manufacturing industry and revitalizing the American economy. It was in New Haven that a group of African Mendi Warriors, led by Cinque Pieh and marooned aboard the Spanish schooner *Amistad*, won a court battle and were able to return to their homeland—an important triumph of the anti-slavery movement. In the 19th century, New Haven was the center of the carriage industry as well as the oyster capitol of the world. New Haven is home to the prestigious Yale University—an institution that has educated three of our last four presidents and three of our current Supreme Court justices.

New Haven, like so many other communities across our nation, also has a rich immigrant story—the story of the American dream. Our City may be most well known for its Italian and fish communities, but we have also become home to a number of other immigrant groups including those from Eastern Europe and Ecuador. As is the same story in so many other communities, these immigrant groups faced all kinds of challenges and obstacles. Through those struggles they stuck together, they established organizations to help re-create a little bit of the Old Country, and to honor the values of family and community we all hold dear—they made New Haven their home.

With such a rich history, the bonds of our community are strong. Born and raised in the Wooster Square neighborhood, wherever I go in this world, it is always with me. That is New Haven—and that is why I am so proud to rise today to say Happy 375th Birthday New Haven.