

rheumatology and postdoctoral training as a Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) fellow at the National Jewish Medical & Research Center (NJMRC). Dr. Finkel also served on the faculty at NJMRC and the University of Colorado.

In 1999, she was recruited to lead the Division of Pediatric Rheumatology at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) and to serve as the Joseph Lee Hollander Chair of Pediatric Rheumatology and Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, where she was later promoted to Professor of Pediatrics. At CHOP, Dr. Finkel built the Division of Rheumatology from a small group to one of the largest and most academically productive divisions of rheumatology in the country. Her trainees are currently on faculty at leading academic medical centers in the United States and abroad. In 2011, she was recruited to help lead the building of Nemours Children's Hospital, which opened in October 2012.

Dr. Finkel has devoted more than 20 years to caring for children with rheumatic diseases. U.S. News & World Report has ranked her in the top one percent of pediatric rheumatologists in the Nation for each of the past 4 years, a distinction held by only 15 physicians across the U.S.

Dr. Finkel's work has been recognized by more than 100 publications and she has received 140 invitations to speak nationally and internationally. She has nine issued patents and patents pending, and has had continuous funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) since 1990, with research grants totaling more than \$12 million. Among Dr. Finkel's many honors and awards are those from the American Cancer Society, American College of Rheumatology, American Foundation for AIDS Research, American Medical Association, Children's Miracle Network, Colorado Women's Hall of Fame, Henry Kunkel Society, HHMI, Lupus Foundation, Pediatric AIDS Foundation, Philadelphia Magazine, State of Pennsylvania, and Gates Foundation.

A strong advocate of evidence-based medicine, Dr. Finkel's research has helped to uncover extensive genetic overlap across many pediatric autoimmune diseases. Using cutting-edge genomics, she has successfully unmasked dozens of novel risk factors common to childhood arthritis, lupus, diabetes, inflammatory bowel disease, celiac disease, immunodeficiency, thyroid disease, and psoriasis. Dr. Finkel has led studies that investigate the origins of immunodeficiency and autoimmunity in individuals with HIV infection and AIDS. Other key interests include expanding caregiver sharing of electronic medical records and exploring faster ways to deliver new therapies to patients.

In 2001, the Arthritis Foundation selected Dr. Finkel as one of 50 "Research Heroes" for her significant contributions to the field of rheumatology. In 2003, the Arthritis Foundation of Eastern Pennsylvania presented the Arthritis Hero Award to Dr. Finkel for her leadership in the field of arthritis. In 2004, Dr. Finkel was awarded the University of Pennsylvania's Lady Colyton Prize for Autoimmune Research, based on her research on autoimmune disorders. In 2009, she was elected to the prestigious Henry Kunkel Society for her contributions to the fields of immunology and rheumatology.

Dr. Finkel is married to pediatric neurologist Dr. Richard Finkel. Among the Finkels' proud-

est accomplishments are their two children. Paul will graduate this year from Carnegie Mellon University with a master's degree in Electrical & Computer Engineering. Valerie is completing a master's degree in Philosophy at The New School in New York City.

I am happy to honor Dr. Terri Finkel, during Women's History Month, for her leadership and contributions to the medical community.

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#### WORLD TB DAY

### HON. GENE GREEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 24, 2014*

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize World TB Day and call for a continued effort to drive down rates of tuberculosis (TB) across the world and accelerate progress toward ending TB as a threat to global public health.

World TB Day is an opportunity to raise awareness about TB-related problems and solutions and to support TB-control efforts. While great strides have been made to control and cure TB, much more needs to be done to eliminate this disease.

Often believed to be a disease of the past, TB is still a life-threatening problem in the United States and around the world. Anyone can contract TB, and our current efforts to find and treat latent TB infection and TB disease are not sufficient.

We must raise awareness, enhance prevention, control, and treatment efforts, and develop new therapies to treat TB, especially for multi-drug resistant (MDR-TB) and extensively-drug resistant TB (XDR-TB).

Everyone has a role in ensuring that one day TB will be eliminated. As a co-chair of the Congressional TB Elimination Caucus and longtime advocate on this issue, I look forward to working with my colleagues in Congress and our partners to further the commitment to a world free of TB.

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#### RECOGNIZING WHITE CASTLE

### HON. STEVE STIVERS

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 24, 2014*

Mr. STIVERS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize White Castle, a family-owned hamburger chain based in my district, for being the creators of Time Magazine's "Most Influential Burger of All Time."

Since White Castle opened in 1921 in Wichita, Kansas, White Castle has revolutionized the fast food industry. White Castle's signature 5-holed square patty has skyrocketed the company's popularity, developed an almost-cult following of self-proclaimed 'Cravers' and resulted in White Castle becoming the first hamburger chain to sell one billion hamburgers.

A little over a decade after its first store opened, White Castle moved its headquarters to Columbus, Ohio—where it has resided for the last 80 years. This trailblazing company has provided hundreds of jobs in the great state of Ohio, as well as in Ohio's 15th Congressional District.

Today, White Castle is more than a hamburger chain. White Castle is now an experience which people from across the country and across the world travel great distances to get their hands on.

I offer my congratulations to White Castle for their years of success and their designation as having the "Most Influential Burger of All Time" by Time Magazine. Ohio's 15th District, the Buckeye State and Cravers across the nation have loved the first billion sliders and look forward to one billion more.

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#### RECOGNIZING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF DONNA DOWLESS

### HON. ALAN GRAYSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 24, 2014*

Mr. GRAYSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, in honor of Women's History Month, to recognize Donna Dowless, Chairman of the XOXO Media Group. Dowless is an instrumental and creative force in her community and in the entertainment industry. She is an experienced executive and strong community leader that is goal oriented and results driven. She fosters powerful partnerships with diverse groups to cultivate positive change and create economic impact and sustainability.

Prior to starting her own Orlando-based entertainment media and arts consulting company, Ms. Dowless served as Executive Vice President of Industry Relations for Ticketmaster, a position she held for 18 years. She has over 30 years of experience in sports and live entertainment. She has directed and managed sports arenas, theaters and concert venues and worked with professional sports leagues, prominent live event producers and numerous political and presidential event directors. Ms. Dowless was recently recognized by Venues Today Magazine as one of the "Top 5 Women of Influence in the Entertainment Industry." In 2005, she was honored with a lifetime achievement award for distinguished service from the International Association of Venue Managers.

As Chairman of XOXO Media group, Dowless is dedicated to delivering results-driven programs for her arts and entertainment clients. Her specialty services range from event development, public relations, branding, and customer relations management to strategic insights for growth and sustainability. Additional services include career and business development, public speaking, mentoring and motivational programming. Her clients, who include the Ticketmaster Corporation, Atlantic Hill Music, Churchill Development, Castaneda Studios, Florida Artists Registry, Kosmo Creative Studios, and select arts and entertainment venues, have achieved great success under her direction and counsel.

Ms. Dowless is an award-winning contemporary artist creating compositions of balance and harmony which express affirmations from the heart. Her art is featured in collections worldwide. Over the years she has encountered many unique individuals and entertainers, including the Beatles, Elvis, Tina Turner, Madonna, Frank Sinatra, The Rolling Stones, Bob Dylan, and Bruce Springsteen. All of these entertainment icons left her with inspiring memories that continue to stir her desire and passion to create each day. An early