

vital link for our police officers and firefighters by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them with essential situation information, and insuring their safety. Public Safety Telecommunicators of Luzerne County 911 play a substantial role in fighting crime, suppressing fires, and ensuring patients receive necessary and timely treatment. These dispatchers exhibit compassion, understanding, and professionalism in performing this crucial public service.

I am honored to recognize these exceptional men and women for their distinguished service to their fellow citizens. Their diligence and professionalism keeps our community and our loved ones safe, and I thank them for all their work to protect Luzerne County.

HONORING THE GRANDVIEW C-4 SCHOOL DISTRICT

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 9, 2014

Mr. CLEAVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to speak to the extraordinary accomplishments of the Grandview C-4 School District located in Missouri's Fifth Congressional District. The contributions this institution has made to the community are beyond measure. And more importantly, to celebrate the positive differences made by the talented, dedicated, and hard-working people who are now, and have been in years past, a part of this school system.

In an April 9, 1914, election, Grandview, High Grove, Maple Ridge, and Mastin school districts were consolidated into the Grandview School District. In the early 1950s, two more school districts, including Martin City, became part of Consolidated School District No. 4 or Grandview C14 School District.

Through the years, district enrollment has grown from 523 students in 1948, to its current enrollment of more than 4,200 students. In 2013-2014, the district had the highest percentage increase in enrollment of any school on the Missouri side of the Kansas City area. The district has one high school, one middle school, one K-8 school, four elementary schools, an early childhood center and an alternative school.

In 2013, the Grandview C-4 School District was recognized as one of the top performing districts in the state, according to final Annual Performance Report (APR) data released by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). Grandview C-4 School District earned "Accredited with Distinction" status based on the current fifth cycle Missouri School Improvement Program (MSIP 5) scoring guide, with a district-wide score of 93.6 percent.

On April 9th the district will recognize its 100th anniversary. Historic photos spanning the district's 100 year history will be displayed at several public places throughout the Grandview and South Kansas City area. More celebrations are planned throughout the year—all of them richly deserved.

For 100 years, the Grandview C-4 School District has been the fabric of the community. Considering the challenges many of our families face, many parents take pride in the education their children get from the C-4. Many of

these same parents, who now send their children to C-4, were themselves students at C-4 in the past, as their parents were as well. They demonstrate this pride not just year after year, but generation after generation.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring the Grandview C-4 School District today. Grandview is a top-tier school district, comparable to the most elite of districts. We have a glorious past and look forward to an exciting future.

HONORING SPENCER DAUGHERTY

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 9, 2014

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Spencer Daugherty. Spencer is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 360, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Spencer has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Spencer has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Spencer has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Spencer installed landscaping for the Northland Therapeutic Riding Center in Holt, Missouri, which provides equine activities for people with special needs of all ages and abilities.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Spencer Daugherty for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

VISITORS FROM THE NATIVE VILLAGE OF SHISHMAREF, ALASKA COME TO CONGRESS

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 9, 2014

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I recently had two very special visitors come to my office from the Native Village of Shishmaref, Alaska. Mr. Johnson Eningowk and Richard Kuzuguk made the long journey from Alaska to Washington, DC to educate and inform Members of Congress about the real life challenges to their families and community from climate change, as well as the endless pressure of oil companies seeking offshore oil production.

Living on an island in the Chukchi Sea that is three miles long and one-half mile wide, Mr. Eningowk and Mr. Kuzuguk want to continue to practice their traditional way of life—fishing, hunting, gathering and sustaining a healthy relationship with the natural resources they have traditionally depended upon for generations. They want to share this way of life with their community's children and future generations.

Unfortunately, the effects of climate change are changing their traditional way of life, including raising real concerns about whether their home will survive erosion and a rising

sea. Oil companies are pressuring for more leasing opportunities and a greater presence both on land and in the coastal waters of Alaska. Both climate change and oil exploration have the potential to devastate Native Alaskan fishing and hunting grounds.

It takes courage for two men to travel far from home to tell their story and ask for help. I want to thank Mr. Eningowk and Mr. Kuzuguk for coming to Washington and telling Congress their story. Native Alaskans have a voice that must be heard as Congress debates issues that will directly affect their lives, livelihoods, and future generations.

The members of the Native Village of Shishmaref Council passed a resolution last year that I would like to submit. Their call for a moratorium on new oil and gas leases in the Arctic Ocean should be heeded. Congress and the Executive Branch need to consult and dialogue directly with Native Alaskans as these policies are being discussed and decided. The future of their way of life is at stake.

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR COMPREHENSIVE MANAGEMENT OF THE ARCTIC OCEAN TO MAINTAIN ITS BIODIVERSITY FOR THE FOOD SECURITY, TRIBAL HEALTH, AND CULTURAL IDENTITY OF THE PRESENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS, RESOLUTION NO. 13-05

Whereas, Alaska's indigenous people are inextricably linked to the land and sea, depending on the natural world for our food security, community well-being, and cultural identity;

Whereas, the Arctic Ocean and surrounding ecosystem have sustained Arctic indigenous peoples for thousands of years;

Whereas, The Arctic Ocean has been recognized through science and traditional knowledge as one of the most biologically important places on Earth;

Whereas, the Arctic Ocean is home to whales, seals, walrus, and other migratory animals that many Alaskan Tribes depend on for their food security;

Whereas, many animals and fish that Tribes across Alaska depend on for their food security migrate to and from the Arctic each year;

Whereas, many Tribes along the Arctic coast continue to share and trade traditional foods from the Arctic Ocean with other indigenous communities;

Whereas, food security is a basic human right recognized by the United Nations and affirmed by the United States in the International Covenant of Civil and Political rights;

Whereas, climate change is causing severe coastal erosion, loss of sea ice, ocean acidification, and changes to the migratory animals we depend on for our food security;

Whereas, the loss of sea ice and other impacts from climate change are having an impact on our ability to hunt and provide for our families;

Whereas, increased shipping and vessel traffic through Arctic waterways, and the threat of offshore drilling and exploration, puts additional impacts on the ocean and coastal communities;

Whereas, the United States government and other Arctic Nations are moving forward with plans to make further develop the Arctic Ocean;

Whereas, Alaska's indigenous Tribes must stand together to support a vision for the Arctic that protects our way of life and puts our people first;

Whereas, Tribes must be at the forefront of planning for the future of the Arctic ecosystem;

Whereas, the traditional knowledge and wisdom of the elders, passed down through

generations, is invaluable for understanding the Arctic ecosystem and best management practices; now therefore be it

Resolved, That a comprehensive and scientifically proven mitigation and monitoring plan must be developed to provide oversight to Arctic industrial activities that could impact our food security, way of life, and the health of our peoples, and be it further

Resolved, That the United States should not issue any new oil and gas leases in the Arctic Ocean until comprehensive and scientifically proven plan is in place to determine the impacts, and whether development can be done without jeopardizing the safety of nearby villages, food security, and the migratory animals that Tribes depend on, and be it

Resolved, That the United States must consult with and engage in a process with Tribes to determine appropriate deferral areas and other protective measures for the important cultural, biological, and subsistence use areas of the Arctic Ocean ecosystem to ensure our food security, cultural identity, and protect our way of life.

TRIBUTE TO BRAD MAGG

HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 9, 2014

Mr. LATHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Brad Magg, owner of Goldie's Ice Cream Shop and Magg Family Catering, for being named a 2014 Forty Under 40 honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, *Business Record*.

Since 2000, *Business Record* has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of young leaders in the Greater Des Moines area who are making an impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious distinction, which is based on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2014 class of Forty Under 40 honorees join an impressive roster of nearly 600 business leaders and growing.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Brad in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud Mr. Magg for utilizing his talents to better both his community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Brad on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at *Business Record* for their great work, and wishing each member of the 2014 Forty Under 40 class continued success.

TRIBUTE TO COACH ANDREW
TRENKEL AND THE MAIN SOUTH
HIGH SCHOOL CONSTITUTION
TEAM

HON. JANICE D. SCHAKOWSKY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 9, 2014

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to congratulate Coach Trenkle and the

Maine South High School Constitution Team for their achievement in winning the Illinois State Title of the "We the People: the Citizen and the Constitution" competition. This fantastic accomplishment marks the twenty-second time in twenty-three years that Maine South's team has won the title.

The "We the People: the Citizen and the Constitution" program, sponsored by the Center for Civic Education, promotes civic competence and responsibility through course study and mock Congressional hearings. Students study the fundamentals of our Constitutional Democracy and learn applied critical thinking, debate, and teamwork. The "We the People" program encourages civic engagement and promotes a next generation of leaders, a mission that the Maine South team accepted and achieved.

Congratulations to all the members of the 2013–2014 Maine South Constitution team: Coach Andrew Trenkle, Hope Allchin, Peter Barac, Meg Boyce, Molly Butler, Alex Campbell, Ryan Curry, Ryan Deyart, Max Edsey, Lily Elderkin, Brendan Falsy, Hannah Ferstel, Jenna Galuska, Danielle Gomez, Nicole Hassman, Jordan Helms, Brain Johnson, Kian Khalili, Frank Lally, Cara Laskowski, Taylor Martell, Emilie McGuire, Katherine Miles, Hayley Miller, Peter Mocariski, James Mroz, Madeline Schulze, Samantha Smart, Lauren Smith, Amanda Sremac, and Amanda Svachula.

On behalf of the Ninth Congressional District of Illinois, I congratulate you on your success, and wish you the best of luck in the national competition.

RECOGNIZING THE GREATER PHILADELPHIA FALUN DAFA AS- SOCIATION

HON. MICHAEL G. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 9, 2014

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, we recognize the Greater Philadelphia Falun Dafa Association for its contribution to the advancement of the arts in the Philadelphia region, notably its presentation of the Shen Yun Performing Arts program at the Merriam Theater in Philadelphia, April 25th through April 27th. This outstanding dance and music company promotes traditional Chinese culture and heritage in the United States and around the world. Shen Yun has graced many of the world's greatest stages, performing in more than 100 cities on five continents. Its brilliant productions feature classical, ethnic and folk dance, and music showcasing 5,000 years of civilization and the wisdom of Chinese legends. Therefore, we express our appreciation to the Greater Philadelphia Falun Dafa Association for bringing this company of performers to our area. In so doing, a significant contribution is being made to arts and culture in the Philadelphia region.

HONORING DONALD ALLEN KANDBINDER

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 9, 2014

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Donald Allen Kandlbinder. Donald is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 374, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Donald has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Donald has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Donald has earned the rank of Warrior in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say, become a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow and led his troop as the Quartermaster. Donald has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Donald cleaned and stained a wooden pathway and eight wooden benches in the outdoor recess area at Liberty Early Childhood Center in Kansas City, Missouri. Donald also led his troop in building 28 plexiglass iPad easels for the preschool center.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Donald Allen Kandlbinder for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF MS. INERIA ELIZABETH HANLEY HUDNELL

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 9, 2014

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Ms. Ineria Elizabeth Hanley Hudnell of West Palm Beach, Florida. Ms. Hudnell is the much loved and widely respected historian and archivist of West Palm Beach's black community. A retired school teacher, Ms. Hudnell has spent more than three decades collecting memorabilia, news stories, and photographs of West Palm Beach's often under-reported black history.

On April 22, Ms. Hudnell will receive the Judge James R. Knott Award, the highest honor presented by the Historical Society of Palm Beach County. This remarkable lady, a nonagenarian, hasn't slowed down, continuing to collect and curate information about the important events, awards and life in general of African Americans in West Palm Beach. I am delighted that she is a resident of my Congressional district, and am proud to recognize her on this day.