

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN HONOR OF PENNY GAGE

HON. PAUL A. GOSAR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mr. GOSAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Penny Gage for her dedication and commitment to the Dental Industry. Ms. Gage has served as a Tri-County Dental Society executive director for over 30 years. During this time membership expanded from 700 to 2000 members. She was a strong promoter in building a relationship between the society and the dental students within the two dental schools in the program's area. Ms. Gage has been active in participating with the American Association of Dental Editors and Journalist organization in providing ideas and proof-reading the AADEJ's newsletters. She has also served with the American Dental Association.

During her time with the Tri-County Dental Society she developed the "Give Kids a Smile" program as well as encouraged members to help provide free dental clinics. That program has led to another exceptional program, "Give Adults a Smile", which she also supports. Ms. Gage has developed a network of relationships throughout dentistry and has been essential to its promotion and progress in these areas. Actions such as hers have helped to make more smiles possible.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I recognize Ms. Penny Gage for her long time service to the Tri-County Dental Society and oral health promotion as a whole. Her achievements in expanding membership and programming helped to improve the lives of many and help everyone to smile more.

HONORING THE LEGACY OF
LAURA W. MURPHY

HON. JOHN CONYERS, JR.

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mr. CONYERS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor one of the most prominent and important civil liberties and civil rights advocates of our time—my friend, Laura W. Murphy. Laura is the longest serving director of the Washington Legislative Office of the American Civil Liberties Union, and will be stepping down at the end of the month. It is my pleasure to honor her public service and to wish her well in her next chapter. Most recently, Laura was instrumental in advising Attorney General Eric Holder and the United States Sentencing Commission on ways to reduce overcrowding among federal prison populations. She worked closely with Attorney General Holder and leaders of the House and Senate in passing the Fair Sentencing Act of 2010, a law that reduced the sentencing disparity between crack and powder cocaine, which ignited a movement to finally begin to end racial disparities in

our criminal justice system. Among Laura's other profound legislative accomplishments was working closely with Congress and the White House to build support for essential and federally funded reproductive health services for servicemembers and their dependents in cases of rape and incest. This was among the few abortion rights victories of the last 40 years.

Laura has been a leading voice in Washington, D.C. and throughout the country for freedom of speech, including her office's tireless efforts to preserve the First Amendment in the face of calls for a constitutional amendment that would lead to laws against so-called flag desecration, that would restrict internet free speech, and that would censor lyrics in rap and other music genres. She has been a tenacious advocate for checks and balances to prevent abuses by Intelligence agencies and finally rolling back the significant overreach of the USA Patriot Act. Her work on LGBT rights, mass incarceration and racial profiling, comprehensive immigration reform, privacy, reproductive rights, and voting rights has been peerless.

Laura is a familiar face in Congress, and among the few people who can call both Representative MAXINE WATERS and Senator MITCH MCCONNELL friends, an advocate who has shown the nation how to achieve bipartisan success in these hyper-partisan times. She has testified more than a dozen times before the House and Senate and is a frequent contributor to national dialogue on critical legislative issues. One of the ACLU's most prominent spokespersons, Laura is also an author, including book chapters on homeland security and the African American community's response to the 9/11 attacks. Repeatedly named among the most influential advocates in Washington, D.C. and frequently cited by the Washington Post, Laura has been an important voice for more than four decades, advising U.S. Presidents from Ronald Reagan to Barack Obama.

We in Congress are losing not only a tireless advocate for civil liberties and civil rights, we are losing a dear friend, respected and admired by all who know her. I am hopeful that she will remain close at hand and active in the fight for basic American values. Those closest to her know that fighting for justice is in Laura's DNA—she is a direct descendant of one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, Philip Livingston.

I urge you to join me in wishing Laura Murphy all the best, to congratulate her as she faces new adventures, and to thank her for her many years of service.

HONORING ST. JOSEPH'S MEDICAL
CENTER FAMILY MEDICINE RESI-
DENCY PROGRAM

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, great healthcare organizations are a tremendous asset to any community. St. Joseph's Medical Center's Family Residency Program has undoubtedly been one of those fantastic assets in Westchester, helping train and ready the family physicians of tomorrow now for over 4 decades.

Established in 1974, the medical center was the first Residency Program of its kind in the entire Westchester County. Beginning with one resident in the mid-1970's, the program has grown over the years to now have 30 residents, with an annual graduating class of 10.

The program's residents learn to treat the whole patient, become aware of family dynamics, and emphasize prevention and education in the practice of medicine. Although the residency program started at a time when primary care had been outpaced by specialization, it has become increasingly more important as our nation's healthcare system and the public recognize the value of prevention and patient centered care.

All told, the Family Medicine Residency program has graduated 312 family physicians over the course of its 40 year existence. Many of those graduating physicians have chosen to stay in Westchester, and have developed into some of the finest physicians in the entire country. Others have gone on to complete fellowships and teach at major medical centers and university hospitals.

The St. Joseph's community is proud to have such a distinguished residency program that has produced so many outstanding family physicians. As the elected representative of St. Joseph's in Congress, I am equally proud to say that I have one of the premiere residency programs in the world housed within my district.

In recognition of the program's many contributions to Saint Joseph's, the Medical Center presented the Family Medicine Residency Program with the 2014 Outstanding Service Award. It was a well deserved honor and I want to congratulate all of the talented and dedicated men and women who have made the program such a tremendous success.

STRENGTHENING CHILD WELFARE
RESPONSE TO TRAFFICKING ACT
OF 2015

SPEECH OF

HON. JODY B. HICE

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 26, 2015

Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of H.R. 469, the

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Strengthening Child Welfare Response to Trafficking Act.

Human trafficking is an ongoing atrocity that preys on the youngest and most vulnerable of our society. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security estimates that twenty million people worldwide are victims of human trafficking.

In my home state of Georgia, Mr. Speaker, Atlanta is now widely considered a hub in the complex web of illegal human trafficking in our nation. Hundreds of young women and children are ensnared in this criminal enterprise and are funneled through metro Atlanta on a daily basis. One of the most egregious aspects of human trafficking is that it takes place in the shadows, and we can only estimate the number of young women and children this affects. Congress must do all we can to combat and eliminate this terrible practice that threatens the foundation of our country.

I am pleased that the Strengthening Child Welfare Response to Trafficking Act is being debated on the floor today, Mr. Speaker. This legislation, along with other measures passed through the U.S. House of Representatives this week, will make a significant contribution in the fight to end human trafficking.

Specifically, H.R. 469 creates and expands stringent reporting requirements for state child welfare institutions so that we can more easily track illicit activity. With this information, we will be more equipped to address the needs of children who are trafficking victims. Mr. Speaker, I urge all of my colleagues to support H.R. 469.

HONORING BARBARA P. SMITH

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, those who dedicate themselves to improving their neighborhood become cornerstones of the community. Barbara P. Smith is one of those cornerstones in Yonkers, who for 32 years has been an educator, civic leader and crusader.

Barbara began bettering the Yonkers community in 1982 as a teacher at the Orchard School at Andrus Children's Home on North Broadway. She taught a range of subjects from math and science to social studies and home economics. Eventually Barbara was elevated to Assistant Principal and in 1994 she and the school were recognized for their efforts and achievements with an invitation to the White House to meet then President Clinton. Barbara subsequently returned to the classroom where she could take a more hands on approach to teaching.

Outside of the classroom, Barbara has engaged in a number of civic groups aimed at serving the community. For the past 36 years she has served as board member and President of the Hudson River Community Association (HRCA) of Northwest Yonkers, a once dormant organization she helped resurrect.

Barbara has also generously given her time to organizations like the Yonkers Committee for Smart Development, which she served as an advisor to in 2008, and the advisory board for the First District of Council Woman Pat McDow in 2007. When time permits, she also likes to partake in a wide array of volunteer

work aimed at community improvement. Barbara shares the same goals as the organizations she works with: to stabilize, improve, support and promote the wonderful city of Yonkers. I believe she has achieved those goals admirably.

Last year, the Luther V. Garrison Masonic Foundation Inc. Scholarship Committee honored Barbara as their Woman of the Year for 2014. It was a supremely appropriate honor for one of Yonkers' most dedicated citizens. Congratulations to her on receiving such well-deserved recognition.

FREEDOM OF SPEECH IN TURKEY

HON. PAUL A. GOSAR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mr. GOSAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my concerns about the current efforts to punish and stifle freedom of expression in Turkey and to share my worry that Turkey is drifting away from the tolerant secular nation founded by Kemal Ataturk almost 100 years ago and towards religious extremism and authoritarianism.

The current Government in Turkey has arrested members of Turkish media deemed non-supportive of the government. For decades, Turkey has had a free press and the freedom to disagree and vigorous political debate. It is a disturbing negative trend for the current government to reverse decades of transparency and to seek to impose authoritarianism.

I am informed that Mr. Ekrem Dumanli, editor-in-chief of Zaman, a daily newspaper in Turkey, and Hidayet Karaca, General Manager of Samanyolu Media Group, were arrested on December 14, 2014. To the shame of the current leadership, Hidayet Karaca is still in detention awaiting trial. They were not arrested for actual crimes, but on transparently political charges, thus bringing the total number of detained press and media personalities to 29. These members of the media have ties to the Islamic scholar Fethullah Gulen, a scholar who preaches tolerance and peace and who is a known critic of the Erdogan Administration.

In December 2013, allegations of corruption were levied against the Erdogan Administration based on legal investigations. Afterwards, about some 400 people (including 150 stated Gulen supporters) were monitored on Twitter and ultimately the Turkish people's access to Twitter was blocked. These arrests, and the effort to stifle opposition, have a chilling effect on freedom, democracy, and economic prosperity for all of Turkey. Turkey's bid for accession to the European Union continues to languish under these policies—before negotiations on the matter develop, Turkey must recognize basic press freedoms and the right to political dissent.

Turkey plays a critical role as an ally to the United States in the Middle East. To allow it to go down the road of sectarian extremism and authoritarianism without meaningful discussion and diplomacy is disconcerting. Turkey is a key leader in the region and a cultural, historic, and political bulwark between the Middle East, Europe, and Asia. Turkey is an important member of NATO, and I believe all rational people want to see the Turkish

Government abandon intimidation and embrace a free press and tolerance of dissenting voices. The Turkey founded by Ataturk deserves our support. International remonstrance is needed to bring it back to the ranks of nations that do not fear its own people, do not fear opposition, and do not fear universal freedoms.

HONORING JERRY GALELLA

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, those who choose the path of civic engagement can accomplish wonderful things for their communities. In Yonkers there are few who can claim they have done more to support the local neighborhoods than Jerry Galella.

Born seven minutes before his twin brother, Jerry grew up in the Bronx and is the oldest of three children. After graduating from Dewitt Clinton High School, Jerry served in the United States Army from 1971 to 1973 and after his discharge became a grocery store manager for the next 40 years.

In 2007, Jerry became a full-fledged member of the Yonkers community when he joined the ShopRite of Greenway Plaza as Store Director. Remarkably, in the seven years Jerry has been with ShopRite he has become affiliated with over 25 different churches and numerous other community organizations throughout Yonkers. His volunteer work has included helping out with three college scholarship funds, including the Yonkers African American Cultural Club, the Dominican Cultural Club of Yonkers, and the Hispanic Professional Scholarship fund. As a result of his efforts, Jerry has been honored various accolades and awards from a wide array of schools, churches, and veterans' associations, just to name a few.

As devoted to helping out the community as Jerry is, his real passion is for his family. He met his wife, Linda, at age 13 in 8th grade, and was immediately smitten. The teenage sweethearts would later become married and for the past 32 years have lived together in Carmel, NY. Over the course of their 40 year marriage Jerry and Linda have raised three wonderful children and have six amazing grand children, all who live within 15 miles of each other. Jerry also generously gives his time to many different organizations in the Carmel community, ranging from little league to organizations assisting veterans of the Vietnam War.

In 2014, the Luther V. Garrison SR. Masonic Foundation Inc. Scholarship Committee named Jerry Galella their 2014 Man of the Year. He was incredibly deserving of the honor, and I wish to congratulate him on receiving the well-deserved recognition.

HONORING LOYD IVEY

HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Loyd Ivey who was elected to

the Consumer Electronics Hall of Fame for his contribution and significant achievements to the industry.

As a local growing up in Scopus, Missouri, he graduated from Woodland High School and moved to Illinois to work in the steel and wood industries. In 1971 he founded Ivey Electronics to produce bookshelf speakers encased in a burn and spill-proof walnut laminate for the student market of Northwestern University.

Loyd joined the Consumer Electronics Association in 1974 and presented his first product there before merging with American Case Company to create American Acoustic Labs.

American Acoustic Labs became MiTek Corporation in 1979, which went on to become one of the United States' largest manufacturers of car and home speakers. MiTek has grown into a global enterprise with offices around the world.

Loyd has been married to his wife Debi since 1968 and is the father of two sons. He also serves as a sheriff's deputy and department pilot in Bollinger Country. It is my privilege to recognize his achievements and lasting contributions before the House of Representatives.

HONORING LUBA GLASSER

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, religion often has the power to inspire and motivate a person in truly remarkable ways that can shape entire communities. That has certainly been the case with Luba Glasser, a constituent of mine who has volunteered her time and energy for numerous Jewish organizations.

Luba was born in Moscow and immigrated to the United States with her family at the age of four. She was enrolled in a Jewish Day School so that she would receive a Jewish education, something she could not have attained in the former Soviet Union, and began to gain a love and appreciation for Judaism.

Luba's faith became the impetus for her volunteerism, which began in 2005 with the Russian American Jewish Experience (RAJE). Luba spent all of her free evenings and weekends helping the RAJE with the organization of their Shabbat and holiday programs, social events, and student trips to Israel, all while successfully maintaining a day job as a Real Estate Tax Consultant for New York Water Management.

In 2006, Luba joined RAJE as their full-time Fellowship Coordinator, where she was responsible for the student and young adult Jewish identity and community development programming. Over the next three years Luba staffed over 15 trips to Israel.

Luba's devotion to the Jewish community led her to return to school, where she received her LMSW from Yeshiva University in 2011. She then began working with Holocaust survivors at the Jewish Community Council of Greater Coney Island and joined the Northeast Jewish Center (NEJC) community, which became her permanent home.

Luba married Craig Glasser in 2012 and shortly thereafter became the proud mother of Aaron Dov. In spite of everything on her plate,

Luba continues to open her home to the community for Shabbos dinners, cook for synagogue events, maintain the NEJC website, and teach classes. She is a beacon of light for the NEJC community and was incredibly deserving of being the organization's honoree in 2014.

GENERAL LEAVE

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I was not present for roll call votes 46–50 due to a family emergency.

Had I been present, I would have voted no on #46, yes on #47, yes on #48, yes on #49, and no on #50.

HONORING MARGARET O. GRIFFIN

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, a life filled with civic engagement enriches the soul and has the ability to raise entire communities. Such has been the case with Margaret O. Griffin, better known to her friends and family as Ollie, whose dedication to the St. Joseph's Medical Center and beyond has had a profound and lasting impact in Yonkers and the surrounding areas.

Ollie was born in Yonkers and attended St. Denis Grammar School, then Sacred Heart High School. She received her Bachelor of Science degree from Marquette University and upon graduation began working as a research aide at Sloan-Kettering Institute in Rye. After working for the Boyce Thompson Institute for Plant Research, Ollie returned to school for a Master of Science degree followed by a Ph.D. in Biology from Fordham University.

In 1994, Ollie retired from research and teaching which allowed her to increase her involvement in community affairs. She served on the boards of Fox House and the Ireland Fund and was a trustee of the Woman's Institute for many years. Ollie was also a long-time member of the Saint Joseph's Seminary Festival Chorale, which she was privileged to sing with at the Pallium ceremony in Rome.

Ollie continues to be an active member in several other community clubs, including the Morsemere Garden Club, the Bonita Quilters, the Pelican Patchers and the Pelican Landing Singers. The highlight of Ollie's community service though has been her work at St. Joseph's, which began in 1993 as a trustee. She has served as an active and enthusiastic member until September of 2014 and made many great contributions to the center's development and success.

Ollie's other great passion has been her three children, Colleen, Daniel, and Katherine, who she raised with her beloved husband, William, to whom she was married for 52 years. She also takes great pride in her six grandchildren, Shannon, William, Jack, Michael, Sean, and Brian.

St. Joseph's Medical Center honored Ollie with the 2014 Outstanding Service Award, and

a more fitting honoree they could not have found. Congratulations to Ollie on receiving this wonderful honor.

LNG PERMITTING CERTAINTY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. JODY B. HICE

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 28, 2015

Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of H.R. 351—the LNG Permitting Certainty and Transparency Act.

H.R. 351 eliminates the ability for Washington bureaucrats to needlessly block the construction of liquefied natural gas (LNG) export facilities. Once the Department of Energy receives an application and environmental reviews have been completed, this legislation will place a thirty day deadline on the DOE in order to expedite permitting. One month is plenty of time for a determination to be made once all studies have been completed.

Mr. Speaker, for the past five years this process has been painfully slow. Since 2010, the DOE has only fully processed five of the 37 applications received for LNG export to countries where a Free Trade Agreement is not in place. These delays have inhibited our ability to reach our potential as a global energy producer, and the bill we have before us will remove some of the burdensome regulations that currently exist.

Additionally, Mr. Speaker, H.R. 351 will help put hardworking Americans back to work. A NERA Economic Consulting report informs us that making the needed investment to construct LNG export facilities will put 45,000 of our nation's unemployed back to work.

Mr. Speaker, this legislation also has the ability to be used as a strong economic foreign policy tool. Less than a year ago, Vladimir Putin attempted to increase his power through force with the acquisition of Crimea and the prolonged stand-off in Eastern Ukraine. As a result, a number of our allies in Europe were placed in a tough spot because Russia is such a significant natural gas producer across the continent.

Despite the current economic woes that plague the Russian Federation, in order for us to prevent future aggressive posturing by Putin, we must undercut his ability to hold the region hostage because of energy. H.R. 351 will allow us to build our domestic infrastructure, which will give our European allies a place to turn in the event of future Russian aggression.

Mr. Speaker, for our own economic benefit, as well as the economic diplomacy that expanded LNG exports will provide, I ask all of my colleagues to support H.R. 351.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JACKIE WALORSKI

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mrs. WALORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I unfortunately missed votes on January 27, 2015. I missed recorded votes # 46–48. I would like to

reflect how I would have voted if I were present.

On Roll Call #46, I would have voted YEA (Adoption of H. Res. 48—The rule providing for consideration of H.R. 351—LNG Permitting Certainty and Transparency Act).

On Roll Call #47, I would have voted YEA (Passage of H.R. 469, Strengthening Child Welfare Response to Trafficking Act).

On Roll Call #48, I would have voted YEA (Passage of H.R. 246, To improve the response to victims of child sex trafficking).

HONORING NADEM J. SAYEGH

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, there are few professions that serve the public good like healthcare. Committing one's life to providing people with excellent medical care is a noble calling, a calling Nadem Sayegh has answered with distinction.

A lifelong resident of Yonkers, Nadem decided to pursue a career in medicine, and became a specialist in the field of Endocrinology.

Following medical school, Nadem opened a private practice in 1994 and later became Manager of Southern Westchester Diabetes, with offices in both the Bronx and Yonkers. In addition, he also operates Broadway Medical Services, a clinic in Yonkers serving a diverse population of residents. The clinic was scheduled to close in 2009, but through Nadem's incredible efforts the clinic is not only open, but thriving, and now treats more than 15,000 patients every year, an incredible feat.

Nadem has been recognized by many organizations over the years for his commitment to healthcare excellence. He was honored by the Jessie Banks Foundation for his contributions to those affected with diabetes, and in 2013 received the Father of the Year Award by the American Diabetes Association, an organization of which he was later named New York Chapter President.

Nadem's community involvement also extends beyond the field of medicine. He has served the Virgin Mary Church since its inception in 1966 and has done public speaking and counseling work for numerous organizations.

But for Nadem, his greatest blessing has always been his family; his beautiful wife Diana, and their three sons, all currently enrolled in college. Their love and support has been instrumental to Nadem's success and the growth of his work.

A true pillar of the healthcare community, Nadem served on the medical board of St. Joseph's Medical Center and became its President in 2006–2007. The center decided to honor Nadem with the 2014 Outstanding Service Award, and it is safe to say they found a particularly deserving honoree. Congratulations to Nadem on the honor.

CONGRATULATING DR. JOHN "ROB" MARSH ON BEING NAMED THE 2014 COUNTRY DOCTOR OF THE YEAR

HON. BOB GOODLATTE

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, the character of a community is often defined by the individuals who call it home and the actions of those individuals in service to others. Dr. John "Rob" Marsh of Middlebrook, Virginia, who practices medicine in the heart of the Shenandoah Valley, exemplifies this type of service that is truly for the betterment of his community.

It is my honor to congratulate Dr. Marsh on being named the 2014 Country Doctor of the Year by StaffCare. The Country Doctor of the Year Award recognizes "the spirit, skill, and dedication of America's rural medical practitioners." This is indeed a well-deserved recognition.

In times of great change, especially in the field of health care, it is encouraging to know that someone like Dr. Marsh is still engaged in the practice of medicine. He is dedicated to serving those in his community and not always in conventional settings. He drops by for regular house calls, makes rounds at the hospital, and presides over a long-term care facility. Dr. Marsh also serves others who are just passing through at his clinic located alongside a truck stop by the interstate in Raphine, Virginia.

Dr. Marsh's service in the United States Army as a military physician is well known. He cared for the wounded members of Delta Force in war zones and nearly lost his own life in a mortar attack in Somalia; despite his own wounds, Dr. Marsh continued to tend to others who had been injured. Dr. Marsh is a decorated military physician, having received the Legion of Merit, two Bronze Stars, a Purple Heart, the Department of Defense Meritorious Service Medal, and the Army Meritorious Service Medal.

With his wife, Barbara, and their children, Dr. Marsh has deep roots in Virginia, and for that I am grateful. It has been an honor to know Dr. Marsh over the years as well as his father, former Virginia U.S. Representative and Secretary of the Army, John Marsh.

For many in the Shenandoah Valley, Dr. Marsh is much more than a doctor. He is a friend, a fellow farmer, and a pillar of the community. Dr. Marsh's contributions are immeasurable, and this award is only the smallest token of gratitude he is owed. I wish him and his family the best.

HONORING FRANK RITI

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, civic minded community groups are only as strong and effective as the members who lead them. That is why the Bronx-Westchester South Division of Kiwanis, under the leadership of Lieutenant Governor Frank Riti, has been so successful.

As Lieutenant Governor, Frank has overseen 12 Kiwanis Clubs in his division, includ-

ing those in Bronx Shore, Hartsdale, Mount Vernon, North East Bronx, Riverdale and Yonkers. He has made 3 official visits to each club and during his tenure has made a point of hosting events that bring all divisions together to create a communal spirit in the Kiwanis organization.

Working to fulfill the goals set forth by New York State Kiwanis Governor Joseph Aiello, Frank encouraged all of his clubs to participate in the Governor's Project which centered on autism awareness. With Frank's hard work the South Division was able to raise critical funds for autism causes and hold programs dedicated to raising awareness. Frank was also instrumental in the "Treats for Troops" Kiwanis program which sent gift packages to our young men and women serving overseas. Both the Governor's Project and "Treats for the Troops" were highly successful.

Frank was also a big supporter of the Kiwanis International project "Eliminate" which deals with maternal neo-natal tetanus issues plaguing families on a global scale. Frank's ability to bring his 12 clubs together to support these causes was what made them successful, and led to their collective contributions being recognized by both the New York State District and International Kiwanis respectively.

Prior to his wonderful work with Kiwanis, Frank worked in the health care field, serving as head of occupational therapy in nursing homes in both Westchester and the Bronx. Frank was beloved by both his staff and patients and gave many years of service to the field.

The Yonkers Kiwanis Club honored Frank at a dinner which celebrated their 85 years of service to the Yonkers community in 2014. I believe there was no more fitting honoree than Frank Riti, and wish to offer him my sincerest congratulations on that wonderful recognition.

HONORING LT. COL. ED SAYLOR

HON. DAVID G. REICHERT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mr. REICHERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of the late Lt. Col. Ed Saylor. Lt. Col. Saylor was part of the infamous Doolittle Raiders who risked their lives during World War II. These men were responsible for raising the morale of an entire nation after the devastating attack on Pearl Harbor.

Lt. Col. Saylor passed away Wednesday, but he is not gone from our hearts. His heroic actions will tell his story long after we are gone. Without him, the USS *Hornet's* plane number 15, also known as "TNT" and a critical part of the Doolittle Raid, would never have flown in 1941. Sgt. Saylor, as he was then, was able to remove and repair the engine of "TNT"—the first time this had ever been done at sea. He was also responsible for writing the words "Democracy's Ace in the Hole" on the side of the plane just before take-off. This message and symbolism would resonate for the duration of the war, helping to remind our troops that our side was fighting the right battle.

Mr. Speaker, Lt. Col. Saylor went above and beyond the call of duty. He served our country in the military for 28 years; he helped America rise to greatness from the brink of despair,

propelling us to victory. We will never forget him and I am proud to have called him my friend. I will always cherish his gift of a stained glass B52 Bomber he had hand-made himself.

HONORING BEATRICE CASTIGLIA-CATULLO

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, sometimes a simple civic organization intended to help and improve a small community can turn into a pillar of hope for an entire city. That has undoubtedly been the case with Regional Aid for Interim Needs, or RAIN, thanks in large part to its founder, Beatrice Castiglia-Catullo.

Bea has given her life to her community and always advocates on behalf of those marginalized. RAIN was founded in 1964 to serve those in need as a multi-social service agency. It provides an array of invaluable services to the senior community of the Bronx, many of whom are handicapped, home bound, or otherwise incapable of providing themselves with certain necessities.

RAIN has full-service neighborhood senior centers, home-delivered meals, transportation services, assistance with benefits and entitlements, case management and elder abuse services, in addition to community-based mobile meals for homeless and hungry persons. Their commitment to helping the elderly population has also led to the sponsorship of two residential housing projects for low-income seniors and an affiliated home attendant program that provides in-home attendant and care services.

Building off their incredible success in the Bronx, RAIN has recently expanded its services to Manhattan and has licensed to provide Home Health Care in all five New York City boroughs as well as Westchester County.

This type of wonderful advocacy has all been made possible by Bea, whose passion and drive is still to this day the heartbeat of the RAIN operation. Her legacy of procuring funding for 1600 meals on wheels, 325 daily meals to the hungry and homeless, and 11 senior centers is truly remarkable, and her life has been a tremendous inspiration to me as I serve the public in Congress.

RAIN celebrated Bea's 98th birthday at their 50th Anniversary celebration on October 30th, 2014. I want to personally thank Bea for all she has done and all she continues to do for the constituents in my district and well beyond. She has created something truly phenomenal and should be incredibly proud of the achievement.

HONORING THE LIFE OF EDWARD CABELL BRAND

HON. H. MORGAN GRIFFITH

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 30, 2015

Mr. GRIFFITH. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of myself and Representative BOB GOODLATTE, I submit these remarks in honor of the remarkable life of (Edward) Cabell Brand and his

dedicated service to our nation and our community. Among other things, Mr. Brand was a philanthropist, public servant, and an activist, widely recognized for his efforts to improve the lives of others. Though we may not have agreed with all of his political views, we can say without a doubt that Mr. Brand made an indelible difference in the Roanoke Valley.

Born and raised in Salem, Virginia, Mr. Brand graduated in 1940 from Andrew Lewis High School. He attended Virginia Military Institute (VMI), and while there, was called to serve his country in World War II in the 70th Infantry Division. He returned to VMI to complete his education, and graduated in its class of 1944 as valedictorian.

Mr. Brand continued his studies at the Harvard Business School and at the University of Virginia. He became an economic analyst in the Intelligence Office of Berlin's Military Government and with the United States Foreign Service in Europe. By the end of his military service, Mr. Brand held the rank of Captain, and also received the Bronze Star.

Mr. Brand returned to Salem, and worked at The Ortho Vent Shoe Company, which his grandfather had started a half-century earlier. He worked his way up to President of Ortho Vent, and took it public as the Stuart McGuire Company in 1970 before selling it in 1986 to the Home Shopping Network.

In 1965, Mr. Brand founded Total Action Against Poverty (now called Total Action for Progress), which he believed to be his greatest achievement. This program provides more than 30 programs to the Roanoke Valley, including the Head Start Program, the Virginia Water Project, and more. Mr. Brand also served as Chairman of Child Health Investment Partnership (CHIP) until 1996.

In 1987, Mr. Brand established the Cabell Brand Center for International Poverty and Research Studies. As a result of this Center, more than 500 students were given the opportunity to learn and pursue various public service opportunities.

Mr. Brand received numerous awards for his efforts, including the VISTA award, the Lyndon Baines Johnson Humanitarian Award, the Virginia Governor Gold Medal Award, the first Jonathan Daniels Award from VMI, the Noel Taylor Humanitarian Award, the Salem Rotary Club's Outstanding Citizen Award, and the Roanoke-Salem Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement Award. He also received honorary degrees from institutions including Washington & Lee University, Roanoke College, Ferrum College and Virginia Western Community College, and Lynchburg College. Mr. Brand was a proud author, and was also featured in other publications for his leadership and service.

Mr. Brand passed away on January 13, 2015, at the age of 91. He was predeceased by his beloved wife Shirley; infant daughter, Ingrid Pichen Brand; sons, Marshall Cabell Brand, Edward Cabell Brand Jr., Richard Franklin Pence, and John Wilson Pence. He is survived by daughters, Sylvia Brand Knap (Gunther) of Columbia, Tenn., Miriam Brand Kline (John) of Richmond, Va., Caroline Brand Mateja of Charlottesville, Va., and Liza Pence Urso of Dallas, Texas; grandchildren, Brandon Kline, Kathryn Kline, Philip Urso, Laura Urso, Christin Urso, Cabell Keating Brand, Rachel Pence, Shelley Pence, Thomas John Pence, Benjamin Pence, Maggie Mateja, Patrick Mateja, Jack Mateja, and Caleb Pence; niece,

Virginia Hurt Johnson of Washington, D.C.; sister, Mary Holmes Smith of Alexandria, Va; and other nieces and nephews.

The Roanoke Valley has lost one of its finest. Though we note with great sadness Mr. Brand's passing, we are confident his legacy will live on. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Mr. Brand's family and loved ones.

HONORING LOUIS NAVARRO

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

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Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, those who selflessly give of themselves to serve their country and community are a special breed. Such is the case with Louis Navarro, who currently serves as Director of the City of Yonkers Office of Veterans' Affairs.

Louis was appointed to that position in 2013 under current Mayor Mike Spano. The appointment was an easy one for the mayor, based on Louis' impressive career in the armed forces. He served his country with distinction in the United States Army for over three decades as both an active duty and reserve soldier.

Louis received numerous medals for his time in the armed forces, including the Vietnam Campaign Medals, the Good Conduct Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, the Bronze Star Medal and the Combat Infantry Badge.

Louis is also a member of several important veteran related organizations, including the Vietnam Veterans of America, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the American Legion.

On a more local level, Louis has taken an active role in many Yonkers events and committees. He served as Chairman of the Puerto Rican Day Parade Committee and was the 1st Vice Commander of the Yonkers Central Committee of Veterans Organizations, where he also doubled as the Chairman of the Yonkers Memorial Day Parade in 2013.

Despite a lifetime of great accomplishments serving his country and community, Louis remains most proud of the love and support he receives from his family, including his wife, Donna, and their children, Kaylan and James.

In 2014 the Salvation Army added to Louis' list of accomplishments by honoring him at their annual dinner. I want to echo their sentiments of congratulations to Louis Navarro for all he has done to protect and better the lives of Americans and the brave men and women who have served in our armed forces for many years. This honor is extremely well-deserved.

EXPAND THE DEFINITION OF HOMELESS FOR VETERANS

HON. JANICE HAHN

OF CALIFORNIA

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Ms. HAHN. Mr. Speaker, across the country, too many victims of domestic violence feel that there is nowhere for them to turn. Lacking resources, help and a safe place to go, some victims stay with their abusers.

Tragically, too often women veterans are among those who find themselves in this horrible situation. According to the VA, 39% of

our women veterans report experiencing domestic violence, well above the national average.

In order to qualify for benefits available to homeless veterans through the VA, an individual must meet the definition of "homeless" codified as part of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. In 2009, the HEARTH Act expanded the definition of homeless to reflect our present reality and include individuals in transitional housing, persons living in motels and persons who would imminently lose their housing. A change was also made to the McKinney-Vento Act to expand the definition of homeless to include individuals fleeing a situation of domestic violence or some other life-threatening condition. This change, however, is not currently reflected in the definition of "homeless veteran."

These women are part of a growing number of homeless veterans. That is why I am reintroducing this legislation, which will correct and expand the definition of "homeless veteran" to include veterans who are fleeing situations of domestic violence. This small change will allow those veterans who find the courage and the means to leave their abusers the chance to access the benefits that should be available to all homeless veterans.

By passing this bill, we will ensure that this especially vulnerable population of veterans has the chance to access benefits the Department of Veterans Affairs already provides. This bill is one small step to ensuring every homeless veteran can access the benefits they deserve.

HONORING MARY HOAR

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Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, a lifetime of service to one's community is a truly astonishing

feat, which is why I want to take a moment to recognize the contributions of Mary Hoar to Yonkers.

Mary's story is one of continued service to better her community, both as a professional and in her personal life. Following her graduation from Cornell University, Mary began her career as a school teacher in Yonkers. Computer technology was always a big part of Mary's interests as an educator, and became a primary component of her teaching. She went on to teach computer technology to adults later in life.

While Mary was cultivating her professional career she was simultaneously beginning her foray into community service. She started by giving her time to Yonkers Jay-N-Cee, serving as Secretary, Treasurer and President. In 1977, Mary received one of the state division's highest honors, the Distinguished Service Award, and was later bestowed the Key to the City of Yonkers for her work with the organization.

Mary soon began branching out after her success with Jay-N-Cee, first by giving her time to the Yonkers Red Cross, serving as Branch Chairman and Vice Chairman as well as Chair of their Centennial, Youth Services and Competition Committees.

Mary then became involved with the Westchester March of Dimes, working on the very first Yonkers Walkathon Coordinating Committee. She then served on the Executive Board of the Northern Metro Chapter of the March of Dimes for 17 years, and was instrumental in the organizations Reading Olympics, Golden Gala and Tennis Tournament.

Mary's list of volunteer services has also included stints on the mayor's Community Relations Committee, the board of Family Services Society in Yonkers and, currently, she serves as president of the Yonkers Historical Society.

The Salvation Army honored Mary for all she has done for Yonkers at their 2014 annual dinner. The honor was incredibly well deserved. Congratulations to Mary Hoar on this recognition.

HONORING DR. TERRY BREWER

HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI

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Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Terry Brewer, the founder and president of Brewer Science, who recently received the 2014 SEMI award for North America as a result of his impact on the manufacturing of integrated circuits in the semiconductor industry. The SEMI Award recognizes outstanding technical achievement, and is the highest honor conferred by SEMI. As a global industry association that is composed of 1,900 member companies that are the engine of the future, SEMI creates smarter, faster, and more economical products that improve our lives.

Dr. Brewer has distinguished himself not only as a leader, but as an innovator in the field of technology. Brewer Science is a global technology leader in developing and manufacturing innovative materials, processes, and equipment used in electronics such as tablet computers, smartphones, digital cameras, televisions, and LED lighting. On May 5, 2014, Brewer Science unveiled its new high-volume manufacturing facility at the Rolla National Airport. This expansion accommodates product demand growth and exemplifies the company's commitment to continuous improvement. From its headquarters in Rolla, Missouri, Brewer Science supports its worldwide customers through a service and distribution network in North America, Europe, and Asia.

It is my pleasure to commend Dr. Brewer for his achievements, and I am confident that his business will continue to stay on the forefront of technological advancement.