

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### CONGRATULATING MIDMARK CORPORATION ON THEIR 100TH ANNIVERSARY

#### HON. JOHN A. BOEHNER

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. BOEHNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Midmark Corporation, headquartered in Dayton, Ohio, on their 100th anniversary.

Led by four generations of the Eiting family, Midmark has led the way in medical innovation and improving patient care. As this Ohio business celebrates this important milestone, I applaud all the men and women who have contributed to Midmark's success. This is truly the American Dream at its finest.

To Dr. Anne Eiting Klamar and the entire Midmark team, you have much to celebrate, and of course, much to look forward to. Here is to another 100 years.

### HONORING MARK FOSTER

#### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Mark Foster. Mark 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 378, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Mark has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Mark 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, Mark earned his Eagle Scout at the age of 13, demonstrating his drive and commitment to the Boy Scouts of America. Mark has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Mark built picnic tables along the Line Creek Trail in Platte County, Missouri.

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

### HONORING EVELYNE ROMINGER

#### HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of Evelyne Rominger a community leader, mentor and one of my district's 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, on the Twenty-Second Day of September, of the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen, Evelyne Rominger was recognized as a 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, Evelyne Rominger was raised south of Davis on a dairy farm. She met her husband Richard while they were both students at UC Davis and they have been married for 64 years. Evelyne has been a very active community member her entire life, starting with the Dixon 4-H Club and as the student body vice president of Davis High School and later as a member of the Commission of the Californias. She has also been active in several health associations, including as the founding board member of the Yolo County Mental Health Association.

Whereas, Evelyne has been an unabashed, lifelong advocate for gender equality and social justice issues. She clearly and persuasively articulates the critical elements of any topic while leaving no room for ambiguity. Evelyne has spent a lifetime perfecting the art of challenging the status quo and pushing the limits of conventional thinking while promoting change by skillfully applying her elements of unconventional wisdom.

Whereas, Evelyne has an enormous capacity to engage, mentor, and advocate for complex and sensitive issues, and to achieve the presumed unachievable, no matter the condition or concern. She also embodies a unique quality that demands intellectual clarity and a thoughtful approach to strategic planning, all while inspiring communities of people to move in a like direction. Evelyne is as dedicated to our California community as she is to her family and her friends and to traveling the world. She is a model for living a dedicated and productive life.

*Resolved*, That I Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI of California's Third Congressional District, do hereby recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of Evelyne Rominger.

### TRIBUTE TO MARY OTTMAR

#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize and congratulate Mary Ottmar of Atlantic, Iowa, for being inducted into the Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame during a ceremony at the Iowa State Fair. Inductees to the Hall of Fame have demonstrated dedication, encouragement, commitment and guidance to Iowa's 4-H students through the years.

Mary began her career in 1972 as the Cass County Extension 4-H and Youth Leader. She has strived to increase 4-H membership by building strong relationships with the youth in the county. Mary has built a foundation for success with the Cass County 4-H program, and developed the 4-H Youth Council in Cass County, which encourages youth to get involved and truly demonstrate citizenship, communication, and leadership skills.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud and congratulate Mary for earning this award. She is a shining example of how hard work and dedication can have a positive impact on our youth. I urge my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in congratulating Mary for her numerous accomplishments in the 4-H community. I wish her nothing but the very best moving forward.

### CELEBRATING DOUBLE TEN DAY

#### HON. BLAKE FARENTHOLD

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. FARENTHOLD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the 104th national day of the Republic of China, or ROC, which most of my fellow Americans know as Taiwan.

Double Ten Day commemorates the Wuchang Uprising, the event that triggered a revolution that rippled from southern China and led to both the overthrow of the Qing Dynasty and the establishment of the ROC on January 1, 1912.

With our country's entry into World War II, we joined forces with the ROC and the other Allies to defeat the Axis, and this year, our two countries have observed the 70th anniversary of the end of that war. In the decades that followed, our two countries stood together as we faced common enemies during the Cold War, and this unshakable relationship weathered the challenges posed by the change in our diplomatic relations from Taipei to Beijing.

In recent decades, Taiwan has created a democracy that, since 1996, has conducted direct presidential elections every four years and witnessed the peaceful passage of power from one political party to another on two occasions, transforming into an example to other nations in the region and beyond that aspire to democracy. It is a regional and global economic force, and makes global contributions culturally in fields from art to fashion. Through our shared security partnership, Taiwan also contributes to the security of the Asia-Pacific, and is a humanitarian force around the globe.

As a member of Congressional Taiwan Caucus, I would like to ask my colleagues to join me in wishing the people of Taiwan a Happy Double Ten Day, and in thanking Taiwan for its many contributions to the global community.

### HONORING TREVOR CLARK

#### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Trevor Clark. Trevor is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship

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and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 378, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Trevor has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Trevor 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, Trevor holds the troop record by earning 38 merit badges. Trevor has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Trevor built a tennis backboard for players to practice with at a community tennis court.

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

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HONORING ELVIA GARCIA

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of Elvia Garcia a community organizer and one of my district's 2015 Woman of the Year.

Whereas, on the Twenty-Second Day of September, of the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen, Elvia Garcia was recognized as a 2015 Woman of the Year.

Whereas, among many other areas of community involvement, Elvia Garcia was instrumental in the implementation of the Yolo County District Attorney's Neighborhood Court Program. The Neighborhood Court Program utilizes restorative justice concepts, which identify crime as acts that cause harm done to people and communities and emphasizes the offender repairing that harm done to the individual and to the community as a whole.

Whereas, Elvia has been a volunteer in this program since its inception in the Spring of 2013 and continues to be a driving force in the program. After observing San Francisco's model in an effort to better understand the program and how to best apply its practices in Yolo County, Elvia helped design the current facilitated conference model, panelist and facilitator training, and implement the Homeless Diversion Program model.

Whereas, Elvia is a true example of courage and selflessness and her volunteer efforts continue to have a positive impact in the County of Yolo.

*Resolved*, That I Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI of California's Third Congressional District, do hereby recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of Elvia Garcia.

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IN RECOGNITION OF JERRALYNN NESS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY ACTION OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, OREGON

**HON. SUZANNE BONAMICI**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Ms. BONAMICI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Jerralynn Ness, the Executive Director

of Community Action in Washington County, Oregon. After more than 40 years of dedicated service, Jerralynn is retiring.

Jerralynn will leave a remarkable legacy. Her work has made northwest Oregon a better place—a place where people can access the support they need to escape poverty. Under Jerralynn's leadership, Community Action has helped families find housing and afford basic utilities, provide quality early childhood education for their children, and access prenatal and child care services.

Connecting families and children with essential services improves their health and overall quality of life. Just as important, Jerralynn's work contributed to a sense of dignity for the families served through Community Action. Because of Jerralynn, more Oregon families have clean, comfortable homes; more Oregonians have control over their finances; and more children in Oregon are entering school healthy and prepared for academic success. The happy, productive lives of these families are an appropriate tribute to Jerralynn, who has been a selfless champion for those living in poverty.

During decades of change at Community Action, Jerralynn and the organization remained committed to President Johnson's promise of equal opportunity and his directive that we "pursue poverty, pursue it wherever it exists." Jerralynn spent her entire career helping people build better lives. The communities of northwest Oregon will miss Jerralynn's leadership, but her legacy will be carried forward through the families who are now enjoying lives full of opportunity and promise.

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HONORING MR. AND MRS. SARVAI OF MANCHESTER, NH ON CELEBRATING THEIR 50TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. FRANK C. GUINTA**

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. GUINTA. Mr. Speaker, I would like to express my congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Sarvai of Manchester, New Hampshire for recently celebrating their 50th anniversary. After 50 years of marriage and two children, I applaud their dedication and commitment to one another. It's clear they have both been exemplary members of our community, and I wish them the best in all future endeavors.

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TRIBUTE TO SANDAU BROTHERS SIGN COMPANY

**HON. DAVID YOUNG**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate a great Iowa company, Sandau Brothers Sign Company of Council Bluffs, as they celebrate their 30th anniversary this year. Roger Sandau, Sr. and Roger Sandau, Jr. work with each other every day to make the company a continued success.

For years the Sandau's have been honing their skills and putting in countless hours to

create the highest quality products that their customers can be proud of. Their commitment to customer service and attention to detail has contributed to their company's success and longevity.

I applaud and congratulate Sandau Brothers Sign Company and their staff for their 30 years of dedicated service to Council Bluffs and southwest Iowa. I am proud to represent them in the United States Congress. I know that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Roger, Sr. and Roger, Jr. and wishing them nothing but continued success.

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HONORING EVAN DANTZSCHER

**HON. SAM GRAVES**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Evan Dantzschler. Evan 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 378, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Evan has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Evan 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, Evan has led his troop as the Senior Patrol Leader. Evan has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Evan cleared approximately 100 yards of undergrowth to allow for easier mowing of the Line Creek Trail in Platte County, Missouri.

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

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CONGRATULATING JOANN G. CAMACHO FOR BEING CHOSEN AS THE 2015 GUAM BUSINESS WOMAN OF THE YEAR

**HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO**

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Ms. BORDALLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Joann G. Camacho for being chosen as the 2015 Guam Business Woman of the Year. Joann is a native daughter of Guam who has had a long career, spanning a collective 25 years in Guam's tourism industry. She is known throughout the island for spreading Guam's famous hospitality and hafa adai spirit.

Joann graduated from the Academy of Our Lady of Guam in 1974 and went on to receive a Bachelor of Science Degree in Finance Management in 1978 from the University of San Francisco. Her first job after college was working as a staff assistant for fiscal affairs in the office of the governor of Guam.

She began working with Duty Free Shoppers early on in her career as Divisional Merchandising Manager and helped opened 23

boutiques that appealed to the Asian tourist market on Guam while arrivals were climbing. She took a short break from her career in the tourism industry to support her husband, Felix, as he served as the Governor of Guam for two terms. During this time, she focused on protecting the environment and improving the island community. She launched the Simple Tasks Aimed at Reducing Trash (START) program.

Joann made her comeback to the industry as the General Manager of the Guam Visitors Bureau. It was there that she was able to work with and support a team that helped increase visitor arrivals on Guam to the highest numbers seen in 15 years.

Joann then returned to DFS Group Ltd. in January 2013 where she serves as the Director of Market Development of the T-Galleria. As the Director of Market Development, she is responsible for identifying local trends in the private and public sectors and recognizing visitors' preference in local products. She plays a very instrumental role at the T-Galleria and has helped the organization develop the Guam Unique Merchandising Art program. This program allows local artisans the opportunity to showcase Guam's local art, history and culture through their work in a luxury retail setting.

Joann is passionate about all the work she does and is resourceful and determined to carry out every task she does with success. Her work in both the public and private sectors has helped various organizations to grow, and in turn has allowed the Guam tourism industry to prosper.

Additionally, Joann is heavily involved with non-profit agencies throughout the island of Guam. Joann continues a close relationship with the Guam Visitors Bureau and is involved with the Guam Chamber of Commerce, Guam Women's Chamber of Commerce, Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association, Make A Wish Foundation, Guam Museum Foundation, Japan Club of Guam and Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteers Association. She is also a board member of the Tourism Education Council, Guam Tourism Foundation, Latte of Freedom Foundation, Guam Red Cross and Guam Unique Merchandise and Art.

I extend my congratulations to Joann G. Camacho on being named the 2015 Guam Business Woman of the Year and thank her for her service and dedication to the island of Guam throughout the years. I also extend my congratulations to her husband, Governor Felix P. Camacho, their children, Jessica, Felix Jr. and Maria, and their grandchildren, Scotty, Colin, Raymond and Mason. I wish her the best on this important achievement.

TRIBUTE TO DICK AND MACYL REEVES

**HON. DAVID YOUNG**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Dick and Macyl Reeves of Council Bluffs, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. Dick and Macyl were married in 1955.

Dick and Macyl's lifelong commitment to each other and their children Rick, Sue, and Amy truly embodies our Iowa values. I commend this devoted couple on their 60th year together and I wish them many more. I know my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion. I wish them and their family nothing but the best moving forward.

HONORING ALMA HICKEL

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of Alma Hickel a community volunteer in Colusa County and one of my district's 2015 Woman of the Year.

Whereas, on the Twenty-Second Day of September, of the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen, Alma Hickel was recognized as a 2015 Woman of the Year.

Whereas, when Alma Hickel won the Grand Prize at the Colusa County Fair Cook-off last year for her famous Walnut pie, it was no surprise to hear her confess, "I love to bake. I even grew and shelled the walnuts." Alma has won multiple contest prizes for her baking skills over the years, but what Alma is most known for throughout Colusa is how generous she has been with her sharing her baking skills with the community. For many years, Alma has donated baked items to be sold or auctioned in support of local fundraising efforts.

Whereas, she has also provided inspirational leadership to 4-H, Catholic Ladies Relief Society, Our Lady of Lourdes and the Colusa Regional Medical Center.

Whereas, Alma, together with her late husband James, taught their five children the value of self-reliance, hard work, and giving back to their community through leading by example. Daughter and City Councilwoman Marilyn shares, "Our mother is amazingly kind. She operated a Daycare for over 35 years and cared for so many children. She watched them all grow up and has never forgotten them. Whenever there is a funeral in town, she will bake and take it to the family to comfort them."

*Resolved*, That I Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI of California's Third Congressional District, do hereby recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of Alma Hickel.

RECOGNIZING DR. LANNY ROSS FOR RECEIVING THE 2015 ALTOONA KIWANIS CLUB CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

**HON. BILL SHUSTER**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Lanny Ross, a lifelong educator and public servant, for receiving the 2015 Altoona Kiwanis Club Citizen of the Year Award.

As a career educator and administrator, Dr. Ross has played a central role in developing

countless lives and careers. Illustrating his dedication to education, Dr. Ross has worked in several school districts in multiple states as a Math Teacher, Guidance Counselor, Assistant High School Principal, High School Principal, Director of Secondary Education, Superintendent of Vocational Education, and Executive Director of Vocational Education. Additionally, he has taught at the university level for Penn State University, Lock Haven University, and St. Francis University.

Driven by a desire to give back, Dr. Ross has also been an active member of many community organizations, including: the Altoona-Blair County Development Corporation, Blair County Airport Authority, Southern Alleghenies Workforce Investment Board, and several Professional Education Associations.

Despite a demanding career and extensive community responsibilities, Dr. Ross has also remained a dedicated family man to his wife of 50 years, his three children, and his six grandchildren.

On behalf of the Ninth District of Pennsylvania, I want to thank Dr. Ross for his service, and moreover highlight the sense of purpose with which he has served the community. He has exemplified the selfless drive that is a hallmark of our educators, and this award is a well-deserved acknowledgment of that spirit of giving.

It is my honor to recognize Dr. Lanny Ross and congratulate him for receiving the 2015 Altoona Kiwanis Club Citizen of the Year Award.

TRIBUTE TO THE DANCE EXPLOSION CLOGGING QUINTET

**HON. DAVID YOUNG**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Dance Explosion's clogging quintet for being chosen as one of the six finalists in the sprout division of the Bill Riley Talent Contest at the Iowa State Fair.

I would like to congratulate each member of the group:

Danika Schultes, Mikenna Cass, Kanyon Huntington, Hannah Wisniewski, and Page Hudson.

These young people are from the Afton and Creston area in southern Iowa.

Mr. Speaker, the example set by these students and their teachers demonstrates the rewards of hard work and dedication. I am honored to represent them in the United States Congress. I know all of my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating this quintet and the rest of the team for competing in this rigorous competition and wishing them all nothing but continued success.

HONORING DOROTHY POOLEY

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of Dorothy Pooley an

Ombudsman and advocate for seniors, and one of my district's 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, on the Twenty-Second Day of September, of the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen, Dorothy Pooley was recognized as a 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, while Dorothy Pooley is officially retired, no one would know it. If you were to ask any of the Seniors at the Willows residential facility, they will tell you how ever-present and beloved she is there as their Ombudsman.

Whereas, Dorothy's long career began in 1954 at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida. She worked for RCA in their Communications Engineering and Optics Engineering Departments and TRW in their Minuteman Program. In the 1970s, Dorothy moved to Glenn County and has worked for the County in numerous capacities including Public Guardian, Court Investigator and Ombudsman.

Whereas, as the Ombudsman for the Willows Center, Dorothy visits with the residents at least weekly. She is a liaison between the residents and their family members and the facility. Dorothy helps residents with problem solving when asked and always brings a friendly smile and a kind word of encouragement to all she comes in contact with.

Whereas, one Willows resident summed up Dorothy with these words, "Dorothy loves what she does. If she is needed, she comes right away to help us solve problems. If she does not know the answer, she will find it for us. I can't think of a better person."

*Resolved*, That I Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI of California's Third Congressional District, do hereby recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of Dorothy Pooley.

#### RECOGNIZING GRAPHICS UNIVERSAL INCORPORATED ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 50TH YEAR OF BUSINESS

### HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Graphics Universal Incorporated on the occasion of its 50th year of business.

Over the past half-century, Graphics Universal Inc. has grown into a successful, diversified printing business. As a family-owned small business, Graphics Universal Inc. has shown how successful a loyal approach to business can be. Fortunately for its clients and the Greencastle community, it has also shown what the grit and determination of entrepreneurs can create.

As a former small business owner, I truly appreciate how essential small businesses like Graphics Universal Inc. are to the prosperity of our country and local communities by creating jobs and economic opportunity.

In celebrating Graphics Universal Inc. for its 50-year anniversary, it is essential to also recognize the extraordinary employees that have made that milestone possible. I believe this achievement speaks to the value they have created for the company and the clients and communities they serve.

I am honored to recognize Graphics Universal Inc. for its 50 years of business, and for successfully participating in one of our coun-

try's proudest traditions: owning and operating a small business.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. NIKI TSONGAS

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Ms. TSONGAS. Mr. Speaker, I was absent from the House on September 24th and 25th to attend my daughter's wedding.

Had I been present, I would have voted against H.R. 348. Rather than improving the environmental review process under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), this legislation would only create confusion, increase litigation, and undermine one of our nation's bedrock environmental statutes.

#### HONORING CHRIS WINKIE

### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Chris Winkie. Chris 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 378, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Chris has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Chris 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, Chris has led his troop as the Senior Patrol Leader. Chris has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Chris planted 75 willow trees at a low water crossing over Line Creek in Platte County, Missouri.

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

#### HONORING ZENOBIA BROKENBROUGH

### HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of Zenobia Brokenbrough a veteran advocate, peace activist, and one of my district's 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, on the Twenty-Second Day of September, of the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen, Zenobia Brokenbrough was recognized as a 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, Zee Brown Brokenbrough has been the Minister of Music at the historic Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Marysville, home to one of California's oldest choirs since 1978. For the past 10 years, Zee has been the Choir, Musical Theater and

Piano teacher at the Marysville Charter Academy for the Arts, one of the highest performing schools in the Yuba-Sutter region. Previously and for many years, Zee taught 3rd grade and music at St. Isidore's Catholic Church in Yuba City. Zee is an upstanding and inspiring educator who has given years of her time and talent to thousands of students.

Whereas, Zee and Bethel AME's Choir spread joy throughout the community bringing hope to patients in Senior homes and hospitals, during holiday and fundraising events, street fairs, weddings, funerals, health fairs and a myriad of other events. Annually, Zee helps charter school students fundraise to travel and perform at Chico State and Disneyland.

Whereas, through music and Zee's educational programs she is beloved by her students and peers. Zee broadens the minds of her students while challenging them to think critically, value diversity, and function competently, to become effective and confident leaders.

*Resolved*, That I Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI of California's Third Congressional District, do hereby recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of Zenobia Brokenbrough.

#### TRIBUTE TO VICTOR "WOODY" WOODMAN

### HON. JOHN L. MICA

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. MICA. Mr. Speaker, today in Central Florida the life of Victor "Woody" Woodman will be celebrated as he is remembered and laid to rest. There are people in our lives who have made an important impact on each of us and Woody Woodman was a special mentor to me and a wonderful friend over the years.

Some forty-three years ago he placed his faith and confidence in me to aid him as Executive Director, as he chaired the Orange County Local Government Study Commission. Woody Woodman helped set the stage for reorganization of Orange County Florida Government. Born to Joseph and Ella Woodman in New York City he was raised in Jacksonville, Florida where he graduated from Lee High School. He was a Florida State Champion sprinter and received a scholarship to the University of Alabama. At Alabama he was a student leader and president of his Sigma Chi Fraternity on three separate occasions.

After earning his undergraduate Business Degree in 1951, he then received a Juris Doctorate at Alabama. Woody served as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Air Force and in the Judge Advocate Division stationed in Scotland. In 1964 Woody moved to Winter Park and joined what was to become the Winderwee, Haines, Ward and Woodman law firm. He and his late wife, Louise, raised a son and daughter, Doug and Melissa.

In the legal community, Victor Woodman distinguished himself in both Orange County and Florida Bar Associations. He helped lead U.S. Senator Paula Hawkins' Federal Judicial Nominating Committee. For the past 26 years he has been a Trustee of the Elizabeth Morse Genius and Charles Hosmer Morse Foundations in Winter Park. Wood was a member of the Country Club of Orlando where he served

as a Board Member and President. He was a long time member of Rotary and the First Presbyterian Church of Orlando.

Everyone who met or knew Woody Woodman was impressed with his demeanor, wit and wonderful personality. His wise counsel to me helped launch my successful professional, business and political career. Woody will truly be missed by all whose lives he touched. While a devoted Alabama fan, Woody's wife of 37 years, Susan, helped him better appreciate the Florida Gators.

Thank you again Victor "Woody" Woodman for wonderful memories of a wonderful life. To Susan, Doug, Melissa and family, I extend my deepest sympathy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me as I pay tribute to this special friend, community leader and great American.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. ADAM SMITH

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Mr. Speaker, on Wednesday, September 16, Thursday, September 17, and Friday, September 18, 2015, I was unable to be present for recorded votes for medical reasons related to my ongoing recovery from two hip surgeries. Had I been present, I would have voted:

Yes on roll call vote No. 495 (on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 1214, as amended),

Yes on roll call vote No. 496 (on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 1949, as amended),

No on roll call vote No. 497 (on ordering the previous question on H. Res. 420),

No on roll call vote No. 498 (on agreeing to the Collins Amendment to H. Res. 420 to waive clause 6(a) of Rule XIII of the House Rules with respect to any resolution reported on the legislative day of September 24, 2015 or September 25, 2015),

No on roll call vote No. 499 (on agreeing to the resolution H. Res. 420, as amended),

Yes on roll call vote No. 500 (on the motion to recommit H.R. 758, with instructions),

No on roll call vote No. 501 (on passage of H.R. 758),

No on roll call vote No. 502 (on ordering the previous question on H. Res. 421),

No on roll call vote No. 503 (on agreeing to the resolution H. Res. 421),

Yes on roll call vote No. 504 (on the motion to recommit H.R. 3134, with instructions),

No on roll call vote No. 505 (on passage of H.R. 3134),

No on roll call vote No. 506 (on passage of H.R. 3504).

#### RECOGNIZING THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY IN THEIR FIGHT AGAINST ISIS

### HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. HASTINGS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remind my colleagues of the actions Turkey, a

longstanding NATO ally, is taking in the fight against the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS), which has proven to be one of the greatest security challenges of our lifetime.

In 2013, Turkey designated ISIS and all offshoots of al Qaeda as terrorist organizations, including the al Nusra Front. The dangers Turkey faces have most recently been exemplified by the attack on Suruc on July 20, 2015, in which 32 people tragically lost their lives. Just a few days later, ISIS assaulted a border military post in which a Turkish soldier was killed. It is disheartening to see that the Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK) terrorist organization has taken ISIS attacks against Turkey as an opportunity to restart its terrorist campaign against civilians and officials.

Facing these threats, Turkey has become an even more active coalition partner against ISIS. Recently, Turkey opened its military base in Incirlik for manned and unmanned coalition air operations, and has also deployed its own aircraft for air strikes against ISIS targets in Syria. This cooperation has allowed our countries to more effectively combat the threat of ISIS.

Mr. Speaker, I condemn the terrorist actions of ISIS and commend our ally for their furthered commitment in the fight against this terrorist organization. As a former President for the Parliamentary Assembly of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE PA), I have worked closely with my Turkish counterparts, and know that the international effort has been bolstered by the steps Turkey has taken. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing these tremendous efforts by our ally, as we both move forward to combat the threat of ISIS.

#### HONORING JENNIFER TERRA

### HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of Jennifer Terra a physical education and diversity advocate, and one of my district's 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, on the Twenty-Second Day of September, of the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen, Jennifer Terra was recognized as a 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, Jennifer Terra is a Physical Education instructor at Emerson Jr. High school in Davis who has been organizing Diversity training as part of the Peer Helping program for 24 years. Jennifer brings together junior high students and guest speakers who have suffered from discrimination, stereotyping, and bullying. The goal is to break down barriers between students and make them more aware of what they say and do and how their words and actions affect the people around them. The day-long trainings take place several times throughout the year and are open to any student who wishes to participate. Topics cover a wide range of disabling conditions, sexual orientation, race, religion, and culture.

Whereas, Jennifer's Peer Helping program pairs an older student with each incoming 7th grader who monitors them periodically throughout the year and serves as a mentor. Peer Helper's give Prevention presentations to the 7th graders on alcohol, tobacco, marijuana

and stress management. This builds trust and role modeling on how to treat themselves and one another with respect.

Whereas, in Jennifer's P.E. classes, she establishes a learning environment at the beginning of each year before any physical education takes place. Her emphasis is on the principles of teamwork as a critical life skill to be utilized well beyond the basketball court. Jennifer's commitment to the nurturing of caring, young people who will in turn grow into a caring community are a reflection of her deep character and hope for a strong bright future.

*Resolved*, That I Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI of California's Third Congressional District, do hereby recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of Jennifer Terra.

#### HONORING SHEILA ALLEN

### HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Sheila Allen of Whitewater, Missouri for the selfless and caring attitude that she has shown through her volunteer work. A homecoming event will be held in her honor on September 26, 2015 in St. Louis to celebrate her new role as the State President for the Department of Missouri Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary for 2015-2016.

As State President, Sheila volunteers her time to aid the veterans of our nation and convey patriotic education to others. The Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars is an organization over 100 years old and works to better our community by serving active-duty military personnel and their families.

It is my pleasure to recognize Sheila for her efforts and service before the United States House of Representatives.

#### TRIBUTE TO ELAINE BOHLING

### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Elaine Bohling, of Greenfield, Iowa, for being selected as Iowan of the Day at the 2015 Iowa State Fair.

Since 1997, ten nominees each year are named Iowan of the Day, receiving a special day of recognition at the Fair. The Iowa State Fair Blue Ribbon Foundation looks for individuals across the state who personify the greatness of Iowa by displaying strong work ethic, loyalty to helping others, and an exceptional sense of Iowa pride, all things easily seen in Elaine.

Elaine Bohling is known as an advocate for youth and an eager volunteer. She volunteers with Living History Farms, Iowa Machine Shed Thanksgiving Dinner, Legion Auxiliary, Des Moines Playhouse, Friends of the Library, 4-H and many more organizations. One of her favorites, though, is the Iowa State Fair, where you can find her working with the Iowa 4-H Foundation, Iowa Egg Council, Iowa Tourism, and Keep Iowa Beautiful.

Mr. Speaker, Elaine's efforts embody the Iowa spirit and I am honored to represent her, and Iowans like her, in the United States Congress. I know that all of my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating Elaine for her achievements and wish her nothing but continued success.

EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO H.R.  
3504 AND H.R. 3134

**HON. ADAM SMITH**

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I want to register my deep concerns with a pair of bills, H.R. 3504 and H.R. 3134, that were considered by the House last week. Although I was unable to be present to vote against these measures due to a medical appointment related to my recovery from two recent hip surgeries, I remain steadfastly opposed to both bills.

I am a strong supporter of increasing access to family planning and women's healthcare services. H.R. 3134, passed in the House last week by a vote of 241-187, prohibits the federal government from funding Planned Parenthood health centers for one year. This legislation is nothing more than a punitive and intrusive attack on the essential and wide-ranging healthcare services that Planned Parenthood provides. If this bill was signed into law, it would cut off essential health services for millions of women, men, and families across the United States.

Planned Parenthood serves a total of 2.7 million patients per year. It is a central provider of equitable access to healthcare for both men and women of underserved communities across the United States. One in five American women will use Planned Parenthood services at some time during her life. In Washington State, more than 103,000 women and men—nearly 65 percent of whom are at or below the poverty line—use Planned Parenthood for their family planning and basic health needs. If this legislation succeeds, millions of Americans will be stripped of this access.

Anti-choice rhetoric and controversy has surrounded federal funding for Planned Parenthood because about three percent of the services they provide include abortion services. Current law already denies Medicaid coverage for these services by almost completely barring federal funding, except in very limited circumstances. Ninety percent of the services Planned Parenthood provides are preventative health services, including lifesaving cancer screenings, blood pressure checks, birth control, testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections, and educational efforts to avoid unwanted pregnancies and prevent abortions. Failing to fund Planned Parenthood will greatly diminish access to these services for low income women, men, and families in need of affordable healthcare and preventative screenings.

H.R. 3504 was also passed in the House last week. This bill legislation attempts to advance the anti-choice, anti-health agenda by interfering with important and difficult medical judgments that should be left up to health professionals. If enacted into law, this bill would

apply scare tactics like onerous criminal penalties on doctors and clinicians. These penalties are punitive and will intimidate women away from seeking safe, legal, standardized, evidence-based care. This legislation is not a restatement of current "born-alive" law which contained language assuring no interference in a women's right to terminate a pregnancy. Instead, this bill takes that assurance away from women. This effort signifies the latest attempt by extreme Republicans to limit women's access to safe, legal abortions. I strongly oppose this legislation that politicizes women's health and interferes in the doctor-patient relationship.

Mr. Speaker, I stand with women across the United States to defend their access to comprehensive reproductive health options, and commend Planned Parenthood for leading in this effort.

SGT. ALVIN C. YORK—WWI  
AMERICAN SOLDIER

**HON. TED POE**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, Sergeant York is one of the most decorated American heroes of the 20th century. A Congressional Medal of Honor recipient, he is best remembered for his role in a battalion to capture German positions during an attack in 1918 in the Chatel-Chehery region of France on the war's Western Front. A German machine gun fire attack resulted in the loss of numerous Americans, leaving York in charge of the seven remaining soldiers. Leaving his men under cover, Sergeant York ventured out to silence the enemy fire.

As he describes in his diary:

Those machine guns were spitting fire and cutting down the undergrowth all around me something awful. There were over thirty of them in continuous action, and all I could do was touch the Germans off just as fast as I could. I was sharp shooting . . . All the time I kept yelling at them to come down. I didn't want to kill any more than I had to. But it was they or I. And I was giving them the best I had.

York's courageous assault resulted in 20 enemy casualties and 132 captures. The young soldier was immediately promoted and awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. Later, he was awarded the Medal of Honor. The citation describes his deeds as "fearless", "daring" and "heroic".

But while the description is fair, in many ways York's story is not just one of the battlefield and it is worth reflecting on York the man, not the myth.

A person of deep Christian faith, Sergeant York was converted—or as he put it "saved"—in his late teens by the Reverend M. H. Russell, known in Tennessee as the "evangelist of the mountains".

While in his youth he admits to being inclined to sin, since joining the Church of Christ in Christian Union, York found more righteous pursuits, teaching children scripture and singing in the choir.

"I am a good deal like Paul," York wrote in his diary. "The things I loved, I now hate."

When, in 1917, the United States heard the call of its allies and joined the war effort, the

young churchgoer and singer received a note requiring him to report to his local board.

Despite rising to be a military hero, York was unsure whether the war was just, torn between the pacifism of his faith and patriotism for his country.

"I was bothered a plenty as to whether it was right or wrong," he wrote. "I knew that if it was right, everything would be all right."

"And I also knew that if it was wrong and we were only fighting for a bunch of foreigners, it would all be wrong. And I prayed and prayed. I prayed two whole days and a night out on the mountainside. And I received my assurance direct from God . . . that it was all right, and that I was coming back."

Well Sergeant York did come back and the people of Tennessee should be very pleased.

Following the war, York returned to the region of his boyhood in the Wolf River valley of Tennessee and committed himself to public service. A national figure upon his return, he turned down offers for endorsements, public appearances and even the movie rights to his life, instead turning attention to the needs of his local community.

He lobbied the Tennessee State Legislature for funds for education and infrastructure and in 1926 established a school in Fentress County, which still stands today.

When asked how he wanted to be remembered, Sergeant York responded simply: "For improving education in Tennessee".

We remember him for much more than that today—for his patriotic service of his nation and God.

And that's just the way it is.

HONORING JANE JOHNSON

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of Jane Johnson a community organizer and mental health advocate, and one of my district's 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, on the Twenty-Second Day of September, of the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen, Jane Johnson was recognized as a 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, Jane Johnson has been working in the nonprofit field in Solana County for 30 years. Originally from San Mateo County, Jane was part of the team that moved Marine World Africa USA from Redwood City to Vallejo, CA in 1985. Her passion for educating children about our world's wildlife continues but has taken a bit of a back seat to providing services to at-risk children in Solano County.

Whereas, in 1989, Jane left Marine World to join the Girl Scouts. Under her tenure as CEO of the Girl Scout Council of Napa-Solano, the local organization was recognized nationally for its service to girls in underserved communities. Outreach programs focusing on self-esteem, empowerment, and job skills grew to include services in every low-income housing project in both Napa and Solano counties, juvenile hall sites in both counties, teen parenting programs, and a battered women's shelter.

Whereas, Jane currently provides leadership as the Executive Director to Solano County's

largest children's mental health service provider, Child Haven. She brings to the organization a solid business background, with a commitment to professionalism and a drive for excellence. Under her leadership, the agency has increased service contracts by 61%, diversified funding streams, and grown in cultural diversity, thus allowing local families greater access to mental health services. Collaboration and shared responsibility for our community is integral in Jane's management style. Jane is proud to have served on the leadership team bringing a Family Justice Center to Solano County, thus creating a single entrance to services for domestic violence victims, young and old.

*Resolved*, That I Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI of California's Third Congressional District, do hereby recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of Jane Johnson.

#### TRIBUTE TO GEORGE MCGARGILL

### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate George McGargill of Imogene, Iowa for being inducted into the "America's Old Time Country Music Hall of Fame." The Hall of Fame is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year and was established as part of the Pioneer Music Museum in Anita, Iowa.

George has performed country music for the past 30 years. He has written over 50 songs and has produced 4 CDs. George joins a host of other performers, including Patti Page, Johnny Cash, June Carter Cash, the Everly Brothers, Hank Williams, Sr., and the Carter Family as inductees into America's Old Time Country Music Hall of Fame.

Mr. Speaker, I commend and congratulate George for his many years of providing and performing country music locally and throughout the State of Iowa. I am proud to represent him in the United States Congress. I know that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating George and wishing him nothing but the best moving forward.

#### INTRODUCTION OF THE ROCK CREEK NATIONAL PARK ACT

### HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, September 27, 2015 marks the 125th anniversary of Rock Creek Park, and to celebrate, today, I introduce a bill to redesignate the National Park Service-owned Rock Creek Park, in the District of Columbia, as "Rock Creek National Park." Renaming this park will highlight its significance to the nation, including visitors to the nation's capital, and encourage more daily use and involvement with the park's beautiful trails, waterways and features by residents of the District of Columbia.

Rock Creek Park is a historically rich park, established by Congress in 1890 "for the ben-

efit and enjoyment of the people of the United States," and is the oldest urban park and the third federal park ever created, after Yellowstone and Sequoia. Rock Creek Park was designed to preserve animals, timber, forestry, and other interests in the park, and to ensure that its natural state is maintained as much as possible.

Over time, several structures have been established or donated to further preserve Rock Creek Park. In 1892, for example, the federal government acquired Peirce Mill in Rock Creek Park, one of the mills used by local farmers during the 18th, 19th, and 20th centuries. In 1950, the Old Stone House, located at 3051 M Street NW, with its great pre-Revolutionary War architectural merit, was acquired. The building was restored, and programs explain the house's rich history from the colonial period to the present day. The Fort Circle Parks were also acquired to interpret and preserve the Civil War Defenses of Washington, which created a ring of protection for the nation's capital during the Civil War.

Today, Rock Creek Park offers District of Columbia, Maryland, and Northern Virginia residents an escape from urban living. Residents and tourists alike also enjoy many activities in the park's 2,000 acres, including hiking and bike riding on the historical trails, horseback riding, picnicking, tennis, and other recreational activities in some of the open fields. Moreover, residents are involved in the clean-up and maintenance of the trails and waterways. The Rock Creek Conservancy works directly with the National Park Service and is dedicated to protecting and promoting the entirety of the Rock Creek watershed through conservation, recreation, and education programs.

Redesignating Rock Creek Park as Rock Creek National Park will help the National Park Service, the Rock Creek Conservancy, area residents, and visitors to recognize the national status of the park and protect and revitalize this remarkable resource in our nation's capital. It is fitting that we recognize the historical significance of Rock Creek Park on its 125th birthday by using the occasion to rename it Rock Creek National Park.

I strongly urge my colleagues to support this legislation.

#### HONORING KEN FIEBELMAN

### HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Ken Fiebelman for his exemplary work with the Dent County Historical Society and service as a member of the Missouri State House of Representatives. On Sunday September 27, Mr. Fiebelman will be honored with a lifetime achievement award for his time at the Dent County Historical Society.

Mr. Fiebelman served as the Dent County Genealogist and Historian for nearly half a century. He also served for six terms as a member of the Missouri State House of Representatives where, among his many notable accomplishments, he led the effort to designate the fiddle as Missouri's state musical instrument. During his time as a state representative, Ken succeeded in establishing Highway

19 as a scenic highway and securing the construction of Highway 72.

Ken is the epitome of a community leader and historian and it is my pleasure to recognize him for his accomplishments before the United States House of Representatives.

#### TRIBUTE TO GERALD AND NADINE PECK

### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Gerald and Nadine Peck of Avoca, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 65th wedding anniversary. Gerald and Nadine were married in 1950.

Gerald and Nadine's lifelong commitment to each other, their children and grandchildren truly embodies our Iowa values. I commend this devoted couple on their 65th year together and I wish them many more. I know my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion. I wish them and their family nothing but the best moving forward.

#### LIFE OF WILLIAM C. WAGGONER

### HON. LORETTA SANCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the life of William C. Waggoner.

William C. Waggoner is the first Vice President of the International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE). He served as the Western States Director and Business Manager for Local 12. Organized labor in the state of California has benefited from Mr. Waggoner's leadership and influence.

The International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) was founded in 1896. IUOE today has approximately 400,000 members in 123 local unions throughout the United States and Canada.

IUOE is the 10th largest union in the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations.

In 1970, Mr. Waggoner was elected to serve as President of Local 12. From 1976–2012, Mr. Waggoner served as the Business Manager of his chapter. As a District Representative, he was able to advocate on behalf of members.

Members of Local 12 recall Mr. Waggoner's influence on the union movement with gratitude and admiration.

Mr. Waggoner dedicated his life to advancing the principles of organized labor. Under his leadership Local 12 developed a nationally recognized apprenticeship training program.

Mr. Waggoner established a legacy in the realm of organized labor.

His commitment to protecting the rights, wages, and benefits of working people has bettered the lives of working men and women.

HONORING JAN MEYER

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of Jan Meyer a youth advocate, and one of my district's 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, on the Twenty-Second Day of September, of the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen, Jan Meyer was recognized as a 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, Jan Meyer is the Parks and Recreation Director for the City of Live Oak. For the past 15 years, city residents have been delighted to learn that there are no limits to Jan's imagination and determination to design and implement programs tailored especially for them.

Whereas, Jan works collaboratively with schools and service and civic clubs to provide athletic programs to children and adults. She coordinates with these same organizations, local businesses, Live Oak's Chamber of Commerce, the Arts Commission, and Police and Fire departments to provide annual events including the National Night Out, Small Town Christmas, and the Live Oak Fall Festival.

Whereas, ensuring the recreational needs of Live Oak's youth are met is where Jan really shines. During the summer months, the community pool is a beehive of activity with entertainment, games, treats, and themed events. Jan has created scholarship opportunities for all youth programs, including Pool Passes based on family income, so that no Live Oak child is turned away for the inability to pay. At the beginning of each school year, Jan works with service clubs to ensure that local students have the school supplies they need. If this or any other program falls short, she always finds a way to make up for the shortfall.

Whereas, every child of Live Oak is deserving of a safe community to play and grow in. What is special about Jan is that her heart holds each and every one of Live Oak's children within it.

*Resolved*, that I Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI of California's Third Congressional District, do hereby recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of Jan Meyer.

TRIBUTE TO HANNAH JORGENSEN

**HON. DAVID YOUNG**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Hannah Jorgensen of Adair, Iowa for receiving a state 4-H citizenship project award. Hannah is the daughter of Paul and Jeanette Jorgensen.

A state 4-H project award is the highest achievement one can receive in the 4-H project work category. Project awards are given to youth who demonstrate leadership, communication, and volunteerism in certain project areas. A total of 152 youth from 55 counties competed for these project awards on the state level. Achieving this honor is a true testament to Hannah's dedication to serving others, and I commend her for her hard work.

Mr. Speaker, Hannah's actions embody the Iowa spirit and I am honored to represent her in the United States Congress. I know that all of my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating Hannah on her achievement and I wish her and her family nothing but the best.

RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING CALVO'S SELECT CARE ON ITS 15TH ANNIVERSARY OF SERVICE ON GUAM

**HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO**

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Ms. BORDALLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Calvo's Select Care as the company celebrates its 15th anniversary of business and service to the people of Guam. Calvo's Select Care began operations in Guam in 2000 with the plan originally insured by Nichido Insurance. The plan is now insured by Tokio Marine Pacific Insurance (TMP), a local company formed by the merger of Nichido Insurance and Tokio Marine.

Calvo's Select Care has its main office in Guam and has branches in the Northern Mariana Islands, Palau and service offices in the Philippines. Calvo's Select Care has experienced steady growth over the years. Significant expansion of Calvo's Select Care was signified with the opening of its office in Koror, Palau in 2006 and its service office in Manila, Philippines in 2007. In 2008 Calvo's Select Care became the sole provider of health insurance benefits for the government of Guam employees and in 2013 was approved to offer health insurance benefits to federal employees and annuitants. The company insures over 38,000 members from government of Guam employees and retirees, federal employees and annuitants, and commercial groups throughout Guam, CNMI and Palau.

Calvo's Select Care provides an extensive network of medical providers to its members in Guam, the CNMI, Palau, the mainland United States, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and the Philippines. The company is also innovative and offers unique plans to meet the variety of needs of its members. Calvo's Select Care introduced the first web based application in Guam for its members to use. They also introduced wellness programs in partnership with clinics and fitness facilities. Calvo's Select Care also offers free gym benefits to government of Guam employees and discounted gym memberships for its commercial groups. In addition to gym access, these wellness programs include smoking cessation and diabetes management. Calvo's Select Care introduced the Air Ambulance discount program to its members. The program has been a success and has saved over 10 lives on island since it started. Additionally, the company plans on launching a mobile application to provide better service and make things more consumer friendly.

I congratulate Calvo's Select Care on its 15th anniversary and commend the company's leadership and all employees for their contributions to the community of Guam and throughout the region. I look forward to their future contributions and success.

HONORING GRACIELA ESPINDOLA

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of Graciela Espindola a youth advocate, and one of my district's 2015 Woman of the Year.

Whereas, on the Twenty-Second Day of September, of the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen, Graciela Espindola was recognized as a 2015 Woman of the Year.

Whereas, Graciela Espindola is the Program Coordinator of the Intervention and Prevention Programs that she founded and established for the Sutter County Superintendent of Schools Office in Yuba City, California. She has over 30 years of professional experience in educational systems and structures with an emphasis in social work.

Whereas, throughout her years of experience, Graciela has chaired several local and state organizations including President of the California Association of Child Welfare and Attendance organization, Chair of the Pupil Services Coalition, and California Delegate of the International Association for Truancy & Dropout Prevention. She has also served on the California Department of Education's K-12 Student Mental Health Initiative Advisory Board, School Attendance Review Board, and the Gang Risk Intervention Program.

Whereas, Graciela has a certification in Counseling Vocational Assessment & Career Counseling from Chapman College and Human Resources and Management from the California State University, Sacramento. She is currently a Masters in Social Work candidate at the University of Southern California's dual Social Work and Global Policy PhD program. In addition, Graciela is also a successful grant writer and project manager, securing more than \$7 million in grant funds during her career.

*Resolved*, that I Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI of California's Third Congressional District, do hereby recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of Graciela Espindola.

TRIBUTE TO HAROLD AND JERE TIARKS

**HON. DAVID YOUNG**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Harold and Jere Tiarks of Treynor, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. Harold and Jere were married on September 10, 1955 in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Harold and Jere's lifelong commitment to each other, their children, and their family truly embodies our Iowa values. I commend this devoted couple on their 60th year together and I wish them many more. I know my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion. I wish them and their family nothing but the best moving forward.

RECOGNIZING THE DEDICATION AND HONORABLE SERVICE OF CAPTAIN GREGORY M. "MARK" BEAVERS, UNITED STATES NAVY

**HON. JEFF MILLER**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Captain Gregory M. "Mark" Beavers, for his nearly three decades of honorable service in the United States Navy Medical Service Corps and to our great Nation on the occasion of his retirement as Director of the Armed Forces Pest Management Board, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Energy, Installations, and Environment, U.S. Army Garrison Forest Glen, Silver Spring, Maryland, August 1, 2015.

Upon receiving his Bachelor of Science in Biology in 1980 from James Madison University and a Master of Science in Entomology from the University of Florida in 1983, Captain Beavers served the State of Florida as a Biological Technician at the Citrus Research and Education Center in Lake Alfred. In 1985, he answered the call to serve our Nation and received his direct commission in the United States Navy.

As a naval officer and entomologist, his military duty stations spanned the globe and included the Navy Disease Vector Ecology and Control Center, Alameda, California, and Navy Environmental and Preventive Medicine Unit Number Five, San Diego, California. In 1990, he was transferred to U.S. Naval Hospital in Subic Bay, Philippines, where he served in a vital role as Head of the Preventive Medicine Department and the Entomology Division.

Following his tour of duty in the Philippines, which saw the volcanic eruption of Mount Pinatubo, he was selected for the Navy's Duty Under Instruction program, and in 1996, received his Doctor of Philosophy in Entomology at the University of Kentucky. From there, Captain Beavers reported to Naval Medical Research Unit Number Three in Cairo, Egypt, where he served for nearly four years as a research entomologist and then assumed the position of Officer in Charge, Navy Disease Vector Ecology and Control Center in Jacksonville, Florida. In 2002, Captain Beavers was assigned to Pensacola, Florida, where he would establish his roots as a resident of the greater Gulf Coast, and served as the Executive Officer of Naval Aerospace Medical Research Laboratory and as the Navy Surgeon General's Specialty Leader for Navy Entomology. In 2005, he reported to Maryland's Naval Medical Research Center where he was tasked as the Navy Medical Research and Development Liaison to the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Research and Materiel Command at Fort Detrick, Maryland. Due to his extensive experience and proven leadership, he was appointed by the Commanding General of U.S. Army Medical Materiel Research and Materiel Command as Director of the Department of Defense's Military Infectious Diseases Research Program. In 2009, Captain Beavers reported to the Armed Forces Pest Management Board as Chief of the Information Services Division, and in 2012, he was appointed the 16th Director of the Armed Forces Pest Management Board.

According to those who were fortunate to have served with him throughout his pres-

tigious and impressive military career and as evidenced by his numerous awards and accolades, including the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (4 awards), the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (2 awards), and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (4 awards), in addition to other individual and unit service awards, Captain Beavers served with honor and distinction, and as a grateful Nation, we owe him our gratitude.

On behalf of the United States Congress, I sincerely thank Captain Beavers, the proud son of William Julian and Betty Jean Beavers and brother to Stephen Michael and Paul David Beavers, for his admirable military service. My wife Vicki joins me in wishing him continued success as he turns to the next chapter in his life. We also want to recognize and thank his wife Carol and sons, James and Michael for their many sacrifices and support as a dedicated and loving Navy Family. May God continue to bless the entire Beavers family and all of our men and women in uniform who have bravely answered the call to defend our great Nation.

TRIBUTE TO KEN TYLER

**HON. DAVID YOUNG**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Ken Tyler of Council Bluffs, Iowa, who recently retired from the Pottawattamie County Attorney's office after over 40 years of service.

Ken served as an assistant county attorney and was the longest-serving member in the County Attorney's office. He started his career in 1973 and helped prosecute cases during five different decades. Ken attended Abraham Lincoln High School in Council Bluffs and Creighton University Law School in Omaha, Nebraska.

Mr. Speaker, Ken made a difference by helping and serving others. It is truly an honor to represent Iowans like Ken who have dedicated their lives to improving our great state. I know that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in honoring his accomplishments. I thank him for his service to Pottawattamie County, Iowa, and wish him and his family all the best moving forward.

HONORING GLORIA FLAHERTY

**HON. JOHN GARAMENDI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of Gloria Flaherty, a child and family advocate, and one of my district's 2015 Woman of the Year.

Whereas, on the Twenty-Second Day of September, of the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen, Gloria Flaherty was recognized as a 2015 Woman of the Year.

Whereas, Gloria is the founding Director of the Lake Family Resource Center. Lake FRC is a family resource, referral, and support center that has grown to serve 1,400 families and

4,500 individuals annually. Under Gloria's leadership, it has acquired independent facilities and expanded programs.

Whereas, as a member of the Kelseyville School Board, Gloria helped establish the first Education Foundation in Lake County. She also assisted with the development and operation of a Domestic Violence Shelter in Lake County.

Whereas, Gloria has also served many years on First 5 and helped to secure funding for the Early Head Start program.

Whereas, two winters ago, Lake County experienced a severe drop in temperature that was adversely affecting the homeless population in Clearlake. Gloria responded without delay and opened a "Warming Center" at one of the Lake FRC locations to provide shelter and respite. Gloria had no budget or supplies at the time, but she opened the doors of the center immediately, secured food donations, cots, and volunteer staff. She pulled it together, because it was the right thing to do. The Warming Center remained open for 2 months until the weather abated and homeless families were spared additional suffering because of her Can Do spirit and responsive action.

*Resolved*, That I Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI of California's Third Congressional District, do hereby recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of Gloria Flaherty.

RECOGNIZING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DUNN LORING WOODS CIVIC ASSOCIATION

**HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 25, 2015*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate Dunn Loring Woods Civic Association on the occasion of its 50th Anniversary.

Located in the heart of Fairfax County and the 11th Congressional District of Virginia, the Dunn Loring Woods neighborhood consists of approximately 550 homes situated on about 300 acres. By the summer of 1964, construction of the homes was complete. The next spring, residents formed the Dunn Loring Woods Civic Association (DLWCA) to enable the community to speak with one voice on local issues and seek improvements in the neighborhood. DLWCA also operates an active Neighborhood Watch program which helps to ensure the area remains safe and that neighbors stay connected. Neighbors can communicate with each other through DLWCA's website, blog, and social media platforms.

Dunn Loring Woods is known as an exceptionally warm, friendly, and welcoming neighborhood. Many of the original owners still reside there, and those who have moved often return to attend community events such as block parties. Residents tell stories of young residents helping their elderly neighbors, and civic association meetings that more closely resemble friends stopping in to chat.

Each year, the DLWCA presents the Edward P. Day Citizenship Award to an individual in recognition of his or her service to Dunn Loring Woods and the surrounding community. I am pleased to congratulate Joe Murphy for receiving this honor for 2015. Joe is an

original owner and for 38 years spearheaded the Syracuse Circle block party. While several blocks or cul-de-sacs have their own long standing traditions, nothing compared to the parties that Joe threw. Joe's enthusiasm, energy, and creativity epitomize the personality of Dunn Loring Woods.

Always looking to the future, 5 years ago the DLWCA established a scholarship program. This program provides a \$500 scholarship to a local high school senior who has demonstrated good citizenship and commit-

ment to the community. I congratulate Emily Reinhart, a senior at Marshall High School, for being the winner of the 2015 scholarship. Emily is a scholar-athlete, has earned the Girl Scout Silver Award, is a member of the National Art Honor Society, and is active in Stop Hunger Now, which packages meals to be sent to more than 63 countries.

As the former president of my own civic association, I know firsthand that when residents invest their time, care, and energies in their communities, it benefits all. Fairfax County is

considered one of the best places in the nation in which to work, live, and raise a family, largely because of the willingness of so many to become actively involved.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the Dunn Loring Woods Civic Association on its 50th anniversary and in thanking all of the residents for their tireless efforts and dedication to the community and region.