

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE MEMORY OF RABBI GORDON

HON. BRAD SHERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. SHERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a friend and leader in the Jewish community, Rabbi Joshua B. Gordon, who passed away on February 8, 2016.

Rabbi Gordon and his wife Deborah came to the San Fernando Valley in 1973 as emissaries of the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, leader of the worldwide Chabad movement of Judaism. In his more than 40 years of leadership, Rabbi Gordon oversaw the growth of Chabad of the Valley to 26 centers that provide religious education, spiritual inspiration and charitable services to thousands. In fact, Rabbi Gordon's reach was worldwide through his popular audio and video Torah classes that continue to educate people online.

I had the privilege of learning directly from Rabbi Gordon as a congregant of his spiritual home, Chabad of Encino, where I would often attend High Holiday services. The highlight of each Rosh Hashanah was to listen to Rabbi Gordon's stories and parables.

I extend my sincerest condolences to Rabbi Gordon's wife, Rebbetzin Deborah Gordon, and children, Rabbi Yossi Gordon, Yochanon Gordon, Faygie Herzog, Rabbi Eli Gordon, Dena Rabin and Chaya Mushka Drizin; as well as his siblings and 21 grandchildren. A man with 21 grandchildren is truly blessed.

It is Rabbi Gordon's enduring legacy that future generations of Valley residents will learn, grow and come together as a community.

RECOGNIZING NORTHWEST INDIANA'S NEWLY NATURALIZED CITIZENS

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. SHERMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure and sincerity that I take this time to congratulate thirty individuals who took their oath of citizenship on Friday, March 11, 2016. This memorable occasion, which was presided over by Magistrate Judge Paul R. Cherry, was held at the United States Courthouse and Federal Building in Hammond, Indiana.

America is a country founded by immigrants. From its beginning, settlers have come from countries around the world to the United States in search of better lives for their families. Oath ceremonies are a shining example of what is so great about the United States of America—that people from all over the world can come together and unite as members of a free, democratic nation. These individuals

realize that nowhere else in the world offers a better opportunity for success than here in America.

On March 11, 2016, the following people, representing many nations throughout the world, took their oaths of citizenship in Hammond, Indiana: Juliane Makhoul Mikhael, Monika Cadikovska, Chaudhry Abdul Sattar, Ali Yigit, Nicolae Tarfulea, Nicoleta Eugenia Tarfulea, Chandrashekar Reddy Cholleti, Juan Juarez Hernandez, Young Suk Lee, Sylvia Cathy Gould, Stanko Cude, Logain Alsatti, Lars Olof Wahlen, Rigoberto Acosta Ramirez, Danilo Legaspi Bautista, Solange Jones, Angela Elizabeth Snider, Jorge Carranza Martinez, Lilibeth Catudan Natividad, Glenda Ragob Bakalar, Gilberto Antonio Benavides Alvarez, Chuto Victoria Emeka-Daniels, Heriberto Garcia, Jasmina Golabovska, Francisco Cordova Hernandez, Pamela Mendoza Lawrence, Nora Cylla Menad, Miguel Meza, Sandra Miramontes Mungula, and Parfait Karim Ukobizaba.

Although each individual has sought to become a citizen of the United States for his or her own reasons, be it for education, occupation, or to offer their loved ones better lives, each is inspired by the fact that the United States of America is, as Abraham Lincoln described it, a country “. . . of the people, by the people, and for the people.” They realize that the United States is truly a free nation. By seeking American citizenship, they have made the decision that they want to live in a place where, as guaranteed by the First Amendment of the Constitution, they can practice religion as they choose, speak their minds without fear of punishment, and assemble in peaceful protest should they choose to do so.

Mr. Speaker, I respectfully ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in congratulating these individuals who became citizens of the United States of America on March 11, 2016. They, too, are American citizens, and they, too, are guaranteed the inalienable rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. We, as a free and democratic nation, congratulate them and welcome them.

HONORING YONKERS POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor one of Yonkers' oldest and most distinguished institutions, the Yonkers Police Benevolent Association, which is celebrating its 100th Anniversary in 2016. Our Yonkers police do such a fantastic job of keeping us safe, and it is my pleasure to be able to honor the Yonkers PBA on their historic milestone.

The Yonkers Police Department was first established in 1871, though the group would not be incorporated for several more decades.

On September 8, 1916 A.S. Tompkins, Justice of the Westchester County Supreme Court, approved and signed the certificate of incorporation for the Yonkers Police Association. The first president of the Police Association who was elected in 1916 was “Patrolman” John F. Dahill. Upon his election, he was dubbed the “Father of the Police Association” and served in that capacity for several years.

Today the former Yonkers Police Association (YPA), later renamed the Yonkers “Police Benevolent Association” (PBA), continues to serve as an advocate and effective voice for its entire membership. And while working to foster a spirit of camaraderie amongst its members, it also works toward developing a greater understanding, mutual respect, and a helpful relationship with the citizens its members serve so proudly.

I want to congratulate all the members of the Yonkers PBA on 100 years of service to the community, and thank them for all they do to keep us safe and secure in Yonkers.

IN TRIBUTE OF HANNES SCHNEIDER, AND THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HANNES SCHNEIDER MEISTER CUP RACE

HON. ANN M. KUSTER

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Ms. KUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 20th anniversary of the Hannes Schneider Meister Cup Race which honors the Austrian skimeister Hannes Schneider. Schneider was a vital figure in creating the modern skiing technique, ski instruction and mountain resort industry that we know today. Additionally, he was featured in several ski films and published a book, *The Wonders of Skiing*, in 1931.

In 1938 Schneider was imprisoned by Austrian Nazis due to his rejection of their dogma, despite protests from the international skiing community. Thankfully, nine months later Schneider's freedom was obtained by international financier, North Conway native and Mount Cranmore founder Harvey Dow Gibson. On February 11th, 1939, Schneider and his family arrived in North Conway to begin their new lives in New Hampshire.

Schneider immediately gave back to the country that welcomed him. During World War II, he served as a trainer for the 10th Mountain Division. He taught the soldiers skiing, a skill that served them well during mountain warfare. His son joined this unit, and served honorably during the war. The soldiers of the 10th Mountain Division would go on to be some of the essential figures in the development of US skiing after the war.

Once victory was won, Schneider used the instruction skills he honed during the war at his soon to be world famous Hannes Schneider Ski School on Mount Cranmore. Schneider created the Arlberg skiing instruction technique. This widely used method teaches students to start out skiing in a wedge or pizza

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shape, while making a series of turns to control their speed. As students improve, they ski downhill with their skis parallel. Countless skiers, including my sons, have experienced the joy of alpine skiing because of Hannes' innovative method of instruction.

Hannes dedicated his life to skiing. He continued to instruct thousands of pupils until his death in 1955. The Hannes Schneider Meister Cup Race, which on March 12, 2016 is celebrating its 20th anniversary, is staged by the New England Ski Museum to honor the legacy of Hannes Schneider and the veterans of the 10th Mountain Division. I am proud to participate in this year's event, and to honor the great achievements of Hannes Schneider.

RECOGNIZING WOMEN'S HISTORY
MONTH

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with great respect and admiration that I rise to celebrate National Women's History Month and its 2016 theme, "Working to Form a More Perfect Union: Honoring Women in Public Service and Government." As we reflect on the struggles, sacrifices, and successes of women throughout our nation's history, this year's theme honors the many women who have helped shape America through governmental roles and civil service. During this month and always, we honor the monumental efforts of American women who fought and continue to fight for gender equality. Women have succeeded in all areas of society, from medicine and science to government and public service, and their contributions have paved the way for a better America.

The pioneers of the women's movement fought for the right to vote for decades. Through their determination, courage, and strong will, the suffragettes proudly witnessed the passage of the nineteenth amendment in 1920. The tireless efforts of these brave women brought more opportunity and democratic change. The women's liberation movement of the 1960's and 1970's helped ensure that women had more say in government while leading the charge against workplace inequality. This helped create better jobs for women and promoted fair pay through anti-discrimination laws. Our nation's success is dependent upon the knowledge, skills, and expertise of women in public service. These strong leaders fight every day for more opportunity and equal rights, and they continue to have a profound impact on our nation.

I would also like to take the time to acknowledge the many women who have served, and continue to serve, the people of the First Congressional District at the local, state, and federal levels. As a lifelong resident of Northwest Indiana, born and raised in the city of Gary, I would be remiss if I did not pay special tribute to one of Northwest Indiana's finest citizens and my dear friend, the Honorable Earline Rogers, State Senator for the 3rd District of Indiana. Senator Rogers will be retiring from office at the end of the year after a remarkable thirty-four years in the state legislature. A teacher by trade and a former Gary city council member, Senator Rogers has devoted her-

self to her fellow citizens and her constituency throughout her lifetime, and she is the epitome of what it means to be a public servant.

Mr. Speaker, at this time, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in celebrating National Women's History Month. We are indebted to the many female leaders in public service who work diligently to improve the quality of life for every American, and they are worthy of the highest praise.

TRIBUTE TO DR. LUCILE M. (LUCY)
JONES

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Lucile M. (Lucy) Jones, a pre-eminent leader in the field of seismology, who is retiring from the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS).

Dr. Jones received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Chinese Language and Literature, with a minor in Physics, graduating Magna Cum Laude from Brown University, and her Doctor of Philosophy in Geophysics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Dr. Jones has worked for the US Geological Service for the past thirty-three years. During her time at the USGS, she has served in various capacities, most recently as Science Advisor for Risk Reduction, Natural Hazards Mission. In this position she leads long-term science planning for natural hazards research, and directs the Science Application for Risk Reduction (SAFRR) Project, which uses USGS science to help communities at risk for natural disasters. Lucy is also a Visiting Research Associate at the prestigious California Institute of Technology Seismological Laboratory, a position she has held since 1983. Prior to serving as Science Advisor for Risk Reduction, Dr. Jones created, led and was Chief Scientist for the Multi Hazards Demonstration Project (MHDP), whose landmark programs included the Great ShakeOut, an emergency public preparedness program which has been adopted throughout the state of California, and the Southern California Debris Flow Warning System, in partnership with the National Weather Service. Lucy was also a scientist on the USGS Earthquake Hazards Team for many years, including serving as Scientist-in-Charge for Southern California from 1998 to 2006.

In addition to her work with the USGS, Dr. Jones is a member of the California Earthquake Prediction Evaluation Council, which advises the Governor of California. She served as seismic safety advisor to Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, raising awareness about the city's need for greater earthquake preparedness. Lucy also served as Commissioner on the California Seismic Safety Commission. Author of multiple scientific papers on seismic research with a primary focus on earthquake hazard assessment and foreshocks, Dr. Jones has often testified before the United States Congress on various public safety seismic matters. Lucy has been the recipient of many awards, including Woman of the Year from the California Science Center, the Shoemaker Award for Lifetime Achievement in Science Communica-

tion from the USGS, U.S. Senator BARBARA BOXER's Women Making History Award, the Alquist Award from the Earthquake Safety Foundation and the Meritorious Service Award from the U.S. Department of the Interior.

Dr. Jones lives in Pasadena, with her husband Dr. Egill Hauksson, who is a fellow seismologist and a Professor at Caltech, and they have two children, Sven and Niels.

Dr. Lucile M. (Lucy) Jones will leave a scientific legacy that will be appreciated for generations to come. I ask all Members to join me today in honoring her for over three decades of exemplary public service.

HONORING THE CAROL MOORE
MEMORIAL JAZZ FESTIVAL

HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the outstanding tradition of the Carol Moore Memorial Jazz Festival at Mineral Area College in Park Hills, Missouri. This year commemorates the 30th jazz festival, begun in 1987. Music instructor Carol Moore championed the festival in its early years and helped it grow to its current prominence. Ms. Moore died of cancer in 2008 and the festival was renamed in her honor in 2010. In the years since her death, the jazz festival has been chaired by MAC faculty members Dr. Kevin White, Dan Schunks, and Michael Goldsmith.

The festival features a day of jazz performances by hundreds of students from dozens of schools. This year 42 bands will perform from districts as far away as Arkansas and Kentucky. This festival not only promotes jazz music and inspires current jazz students, it also serves as an effective means to introduce the community and potential students to the college.

In addition, the festival brings world class jazz artists to the area to perform in concert with the community's Kicks Band. These artists have included saxophonist "Blue Lou" Marini of Blues Brothers fame, Delfeayo Marsalis of the famed Marsalis musical dynasty, trumpet player Jon Faddis, a protégé of jazz legend Dizzy Gillespie, and trumpet master Doc Severinsen, who performs at the 30th festival.

For its impressive tradition and significant artistic contributions to the community, it is my pleasure to congratulate the Carol Moore Memorial Jazz Festival on its 30th celebration and to recognize all those involved before the United States House of Representatives.

HELENDALE LOSES COMMUNITY
LEADER

HON. PAUL COOK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in the memory of Michael Phillip Gouin, who tragically passed away on February 16, 2016. Michael's life was taken by a drunk driver who struck his motorcycle in Oro Grande, California.

Michael was employed by the Helendale Community Services District as a wastewater treatment plant operator. Previously, he served honorably in the United States Navy and obtained his bachelor's degree from San Diego State University after his time in the service. He also spent time as an employee for the Victor Valley Wastewater Reclamation Authority some years ago.

Michael was well-known throughout the community of Helendale. He will be remembered for his friendly demeanor and willingness to volunteer his spare time as a youth soccer coach.

I would like to pass along my condolences to Michael's father, mother, and sister, who are undoubtedly in a tremendous amount of pain right now. His family is in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. I ask that this body do the same in the memory of Michael Phillip Gouin.

HONORING HELENE MURTHA
DOOLEY

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade and Festival in Eastchester has become one of the great social events in my district, drawing the entire community together every year in the spirit of camaraderie and fun. The celebration is just one of the reasons why Eastchester is such a tight knit community, and without the incredible volunteer efforts of this year's St. Patrick's Day Parade Grand Marshal, Helene Murtha Dooley, it simply could not be done.

The oldest of four children, Helene was born in Queens and grew up on Long Island. She graduated from Fairfield University in 1985 with a BS in Business Management. Subsequently she started a career in banking at JP Morgan on Wall Street, where she met the love of her life and future husband, my good friend Joe Dooley. In 1992 the couple moved to Eastchester where they welcomed their two wonderful children, Brian and Caroline. In 1998 Helene left the business world and began work in the Eastchester School District as the librarian at Greenvale Elementary School. She has taught at all the schools in Eastchester, grades K through 12, and currently works at the middle school/high school library.

In 2001, the Dooley family joined the esteemed Eastchester Irish American Social Club. Helene has volunteered for the EIASC over the years at multiple social events including at various times on the Christmas Party Committee and organized the EIASC's Sash Presentation dinner. She has chaired the St. Patrick's Day Festival several times, served as Mistress of Ceremonies last year, and has even assisted Enda McIntyre as the Saint Patrick's Day Parade roving reporter.

Helene is also an active volunteer in the Eastchester community, serving as Treasurer for the Friends of the Eastchester Public Library, Board Member and Chairperson of the Eastchester Public Library Board, Member of the Neighborhood Association Board, and she has volunteered for the PTAs in all the Eastchester schools.

Helene has done it all, and I cannot think of a more deserving person to be named the 2016 St. Patrick's Day Grand Marshal. Congratulations to Helene on this honor.

TRIBUTE TO PAULEY PERRETTE—
28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my Congressional District. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Pauley Perrette of Hollywood, California.

Pauley is an accomplished artist, writer, photographer, and civil rights activist. Her family is from Alabama. She was born in New Orleans and grew up in several southern states. After college where she studied Sociology, Psychology, and Criminal science, she spent time in New York City before moving to Los Angeles working steadily in film and television. She is best known for her portrayal of the beloved Abby Sciuto on the CBS Television Series NCIS, the Number 1 most watched television show in the world.

Pauley's incredible commitment to community is what sets her apart. She is known as a philanthropist and she works with over 30 charities including Project Angel Food, AIDS Project Los Angeles, the Trevor Project, LAFD Foundation, Habitat for Humanities, the Thirst Project, Children's Hospital Los Angeles, the Make a Wish Foundation, the Humane Society, People Assisting with the Homeless, the Los Angeles LGBT Center, Hope Gardens, the Amanda Foundation, the Greater Los Angeles Zoo Association, and the Los Angeles Police Department Police Activities League, just to name a few.

Pauley inhabits both a national and local stage with ease. She joined efforts across the nation to bring justice for Alabama and Detroit child murder victims Shannon Paulk and Raven Jeffries. She can be found at National Night Out, an annual effort by the Los Angeles Police Department and Neighborhood Watch to bring together local residents and their police officers. She uses her voice to speak up for the most vulnerable in society, from children to our animal companions, from individuals faced with seemingly insurmountable odds to those fighting for civil rights for themselves and their communities.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring an exceptional woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Pauley Perrette, for her extraordinary service to the community.

“MY GOLD STAR,” A POEM
WRITTEN BY DEBB CLAY

HON. DANA ROHRBACHER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ROHRBACHER. Mr. Speaker, as Americans and free people we must always

remember the sacrifices made by those our country sends into harm's way. Their courage and sacrifice allows us to live in a safer world. It is equally fitting that we also remember and consider those who are left behind—their wives, husbands, children and parents. And so I submit a poem entitled “My Gold Star” written by Debb Clay, a retired teacher with 40 years' service to our youth:

I took the road “less traveled” and arrived upon a shore
Where sunlight danced on surface currents—
opening a door
To memories of you and me—our feet upon the sand
And how our voices filled the air as your touch filled my hand.
You were just a little child but even then you knew
That giving of yourself was all that you were meant to do,
And day by day you walked the path that led you toward the day
You'd place your country and its worth ahead of “Self” and say,
“I'll go and serve and do my part to keep my homeland free,
When others tread a different path it matters not to me,
For this I know and will profess to all who choose to hear,
Our country needs us all to serve and that is why I'm here.”
I stand alone now on that shore, as sorrow fills my brow
A mix of tears and smiles collide with thoughts of then and now,
Yet as I witness warmth and sparkle from the water's skin,
The silent streams upon my face with brilliant light begin
To fill my heart, the air, this place with who you really are
And what you did and why you had to venture out so far,
So now I'm left without you here—my grief I try to hide
But what I can show is my “star”—it shines as does my pride.

TRIBUTE TO RIVERSIDE
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in proud recognition of the 100th Anniversary of Riverside City College as well as the 25th Anniversary of both Moreno Valley College and Norco College. I have had the honor of representing these world-class community colleges for the majority of my term in Congress and am proud to commemorate today's milestones.

Riverside Junior College was founded on this date in 1916, becoming California's seventh community college. In 1964, voters approved the creation of the Riverside Community College District and elected its five member Board. The Board took on an ambitious effort to expand the college in an effort to meet the needs of a fast-growing student body. In 1991, the Riverside Community College District worked with local and state officials to open new campuses in Moreno Valley and Norco. These campuses opened new doors to educational achievement for students across the Inland Empire.

In 2010, each of the District's three campuses were officially recognized as separate colleges, making Moreno Valley College and Norco College the 111th and 112th community colleges in our state. Together, the three colleges make up the Riverside Community College District.

Serving upwards of 50,000 students annually, Riverside Community College District is by far the largest educational institution in the Inland Empire. It has educational centers throughout the region, including the Ben Clark Training Center, the Center for Social Justice and Civil Liberties, the Innovative Learning Center, Rubidoux Annex, and the Culinary Academy. The District awards nearly \$600,000 in scholarships to students each year and its hundreds of thousands of graduates have made significant contributions in science, business, art, education, politics, and medicine.

Supported by the four pillars of—student excellence; academic excellence; community excellence; and workforce excellence, the District and colleges advance our region's economic growth through quality career technical training and services. Their strong focus on continuous workforce development, business attraction, retention and development have helped bring our community through tough recessions and now leave us better prepared for the economy of tomorrow.

Congratulations Riverside City College, Moreno Valley College, and Norco College. It has been my great pleasure to represent you, your faculty and staff, and especially your students. You make the Inland Empire proud.

TRIBUTE TO JANET DIEL—28TH
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my Congressional District. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Janet Diel, of Burbank, California.

Janet Diel is a dedicated volunteer who has committed endless hours of service to a variety of organizations. She has been a member of the Burbank Coordinating Council for nearly three decades, currently serving as President, Co-Chair of the Holiday Basket Program and Chair of the Campership Program. Every year, through their partnership with community members and organizations, the Burbank Coordinating Council provides holiday baskets to hundreds of families whose children participate in the free or reduced cost lunch programs in Burbank schools. This program matches needy families in the community with organizations and families that want to adopt them by providing presents for their children and food for the holidays. Through the Campership Program, needy children between the ages of 8 and 18 are given the opportunity to attend a week of resident or day-camp in the summer.

In addition to her work with the Burbank Coordinating Council, Janet finds time to volun-

teer for several other organizations including the Burbank Tournament of Roses Association, serving as the City Liaison for more than 28 years, the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Association, the City of Burbank's Advisory Council on Disabilities, the Burbank Domestic Violence Task Force, the Burbank Human Relations Council, Relay For Life, and the Burbank Transportation Commission, where she has been a member for more than 22 years and is currently serving as Vice Chair. She is also a member of the Burbank Nonprofit Coalition, the Burbank Unified School District School Facilities Oversight Committee, and the Burbank/Los Angeles Kindertransport Association, where she also serves as the Program Director, and annually speaks at Burbank middle schools to bring Holocaust awareness to young people.

Janet has been the recipient of several awards, including the Burbank Council PTA's prestigious Golden Oak Service Award in 2010. She has been married to her husband, Henry Diel, for 35 years, they have five children, and one grandson.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring an exceptional woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Janet Diel, for her extraordinary service to the community.

HONORING DR. JOSEPH F. SHELEY

HON. JEFF DENHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and honor Dr. Joseph F. Sheley, President of the California State University, Stanislaus, to thank him for his leadership and dedication to the academic advancement of the Central Valley. President Sheley announced he will be retiring on July 1, 2016.

On June 11, 2012, Dr. Joseph Sheley joined California State University, Stanislaus, as the interim president. Less than a year later, on May 22, 2013, he was appointed president of the University by the California State University Board of Trustees.

Dr. Sheley graduated from Sacramento State College in 1969, and earned his bachelor's degree in social sciences. In 1971, Dr. Sheley completed his Master's in sociology. He later attained his Doctorate in sociology from the University of Massachusetts in 1975.

In the fall of 1975, Dr. Sheley began working at Tulane University in New Orleans as part of the sociology faculty. He continued his career at Tulane University for the 21 years thereafter. During those 21 years, between 1985 and 1991, Dr. Sheley served as the chair of Tulane's Department of Sociology. Dr. Sheley returned to Sacramento State in 1996, and served as the Dean of the College of Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies.

In 2005, Dr. Sheley became the Executive Vice President at California State University, Sacramento, and served as the university's Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs from 2006 to 2012. He was recognized for his commitment and dedication to his alma mater and to the collegiate system by being awarded the Sacramento State's Lifetime Achievement Award.

Dr. Sheley is a visionary leader who worked diligently to build strong relationships between

the university and the Central Valley. President Sheley has led California State University, Stanislaus, to extraordinary accomplishments including recognition by Money magazine as the nation's top public university for assisting students in exceeding expectations. In addition, National Public Radio ranked California State University, Stanislaus, as the fifth school in the nation to enhance the upward mobility of its students.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring and commending Dr. Joseph F. Sheley, President of the California State University, Stanislaus, for his numerous years of unwavering leadership, many accomplishments, and selfless service to the higher education of our community.

VICTOR VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL
CELEBRATES 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. PAUL COOK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Victor Valley High School alumni, students, and staff on the 100th anniversary of their school. This Saturday, hundreds of current and former Jackrabbits will take part in a special ceremony to commemorate this momentous occasion.

Founded as a one-room school house in 1915, Victor Valley High School has since grown to become known as the Victor Valley Union High School District. This district serves over 9,600 students and boasts Boston Red Sox owner John Henry and mixed martial arts legend Dan Henderson among its alumni.

I want to commend the Victor Valley Union High School district on this remarkable achievement. The service they provide to students in the Victor Valley is invaluable and I look forward to another 100 years of success.

TRIBUTE TO JAMIE KEYSER
THOMAS—28TH CONGRESSIONAL
DISTRICT WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

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Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my congressional district. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Jamie Keyser Thomas, of Sunland, California.

Jamie is currently a Program Manager of Los Angeles Community Engagement, which is part of the Citizenship division of The Walt Disney Company, where she helps produce and execute community outreach programs in the areas of creativity, compassion, and conservation in the greater Los Angeles region, particularly in the City of Burbank. In addition, Jamie runs Disney VolunteARS, a program which provides Disneyland Resort cast members with opportunities to give back to the community through volunteer service. She

also oversees the Disney VolunteERS Leadership Council. Jamie's dedicated service to Disney spans many years and this year will mark a major milestone—her 25th anniversary with the company. During her time at Disney, Jamie has worked in various divisions including Corporate Brand Management and the Disney Development Company.

Ms. Keyser Thomas has devoted considerable time and energy to serving the community through various organizations. She serves on the Board of Directors for Leadership Burbank, an organization that offers a leadership training program for individuals who reside or work in the City of Burbank, and is a Board Member of Burbank Business Partners, which aims to increase community interaction and investment in local schools. In addition, she has served on special committees for the Burbank Temporary Aid Center, the Burbank Chamber of Commerce, Special Olympics Southern California, and Meet Each Need with Dignity, a non-profit organization that offers basic human needs to individuals in the community who are living in poverty.

Jamie and her husband, Mike, live in Sunland with their two dogs. When she is not busy helping her community, Jamie enjoys the outdoors, traveling, cooking and spending time with family and friends.

I ask all Members to join me today in honoring an exceptional woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Jamie Keyser Thomas, for her extraordinary service to the community.

HONORING CORINNE M.
MOHRMANN

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an extraordinary member of the East Bay community, Ms. Corinne Mohrmann upon the occasion of her retirement.

Ms. Mohrmann was orphaned in early childhood and grew up in foster care, where she first learned the impact a great teacher could have on the life of a young person. After being introduced to a parish by a Catholic family she was placed with, she began helping to teach catechism as a young teenager.

At the age of sixteen, she graduated from high school and successfully negotiated her enrollment in San Jose State University, where she supported herself by working as a kindergarten assistant at Saint Elizabeth's Day Home. While she was still a minor, she went on to successfully petition to be allowed entrance to the religious order of the Sisters of the Holy Family.

She came to Oakland and the Saint Vincent Day Home in the late 1960's and with her friend, Sister Ann Maureen Murphy, began developing a vision for a safe, nurturing educational environment. With Sister Murphy, she authored a master's thesis at Pacific Oaks College that laid the foundation for the extensive restoration and development of Saint Vincent's Day Home that turned the Day Home into the incredible learning environment it is today.

This is Ms. Mohrmann's fortieth year as acting executive director of Saint Vincent's. Saint

Vincent's Day Home, which has been in operation since 1911, offers comprehensive educational programs, serves healthy meals, and provides access to health, dental, speech, and social services for toddlers and preschoolers.

Over the course of Ms. Mohrmann's forty years of leadership, Saint Vincent's Day Home has expanded to serve more than 230 children of a diverse range of working poor families each day, including the homeless, victims of abuse, and those born exposed to drugs. Throughout the years, Ms. Mohrmann has made innumerable contributions to Oakland and the Greater Bay Area and has touched tens of thousands of lives with her kindness, wisdom, and determination.

Ms. Mohrmann has frequently received honor and recognition for her work by the state and local legislative community and by the Department of Education. She was named City of Las Vegas's "Educational Mother of the Year", inducted to the Alameda County's Women's Hall of Fame in 1996, and was the recipient of the Oakland Diocese's Monsignor McCracken Award.

On behalf of the residents of California's 13th Congressional District, Ms. Corinne Mohrmann, I salute you. I thank you for a lifetime of service and congratulate you on your many achievements. I wish you and your loved ones the very best as you enjoy your well-deserved retirement.

CELEBRATING THE STATE CHAMPION SCHECK HILLEL COMMUNITY SCHOOL MEN'S SOCCER TEAM

HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, congratulations to Scheck Hillel Community School Men's Soccer Team on its historic 1A State Championship win on February 9, 2016. Forging past the defending state champions Maitland Orangewood Christian, the Scheck Hillel Lions were able to secure an almost perfect season with 19 wins, one tie, and no losses. It is likely the first win of its kind for a Jewish school in the U.S., and Scheck Hillel can now boast its first state championship in any sport.

After losing the championship game on the same field three years ago, this group of Lions was more determined than ever to redeem themselves. The entire student body packed the stands to support the team's final fight. With an exciting but scoreless first and second half, the players advanced to a dramatic round of penalty kicks.

After five nail-biting rounds of penalty kicks, the teams were tied. It was only after senior Lion Salo Lapco beamed a shot past the Orangewood goalie, and senior Lion goalie Alan Landau blocked the final shot from their opponents, that their fans stormed the field in celebration and the team was able to cement its victory.

It is a privilege to recognize the perseverance and dedication of this group of young men. This win is a testament to their hard work and devotion on and off the field. The true commitment of head coach Ben Magidson, and the sacrifice of each and every

player will be remembered for years to come. With this achievement, they have become an enduring source of pride for their community and the entire city. Please join me in congratulating the Scheck Hillel Community School Men's Soccer Team on its thrilling victory.

TRIBUTE TO KIMBERLY HOLLAND—28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my congressional district. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Kimberly Holland, of La Crescenta, California.

For nearly three decades, Kimberly Holland has been working with the Professional Development Center of Glendale Community College, serving in the capacity of Executive Director for the past decade, and has overseen the training of employees from organizations and companies in Southern California. Over the years, the Professional Development Center has been a tremendous force in providing technical services, a quality education, and training for Southern California employees, and is recognized as one of the most innovative training agencies in California. As a testament to its success, employees who undergo training provided by the Professional Development Center currently experience an average earnings increase of \$5.40 per hour.

Ms. Holland's unparalleled leadership and steadfast commitment has immensely contributed to the many milestones the Professional Development Center has achieved. The Professional Development Center has trained 34,000 California workers and has created relationships with numerous clients that include USC Verdugo Hills Hospital, Glendale Adventist Medical Center, DreamWorks Animation, Lexus of Glendale, Whole Foods Market, and The Cheesecake Factory.

In addition to her work at the Professional Development Center, Kimberly spends time participating in local and community fundraising events. She also enjoys attending sporting events, and is a big fan of the Los Angeles Dodgers and Los Angeles Lakers.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring an exceptional woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Ms. Kimberly Holland, for her extraordinary service to the community.

TRIBUTE TO SAMTRANS ON ITS 40TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the San Mateo County Transit District, known locally as SamTrans, and congratulate its Board and

everyone at the agency. SamTrans has provided important bus service throughout San Mateo County since it carried its first passengers on July 1, 1976.

SamTrans was formed through the consolidation of 11 separate city bus systems into a single countywide service. Since its beginning, SamTrans has provided bus service to several heavily populated employment centers on the San Francisco Peninsula. SamTrans also provides critical service to the rural coast of San Mateo County which is home to agricultural workers and many other residents who are dependent on the SamTrans bus system to get to work, school, and medical appointments.

SamTrans is also a leader in providing paratransit service for passengers with mobility impairments. In 1977, more than a decade before passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act, SamTrans launched the Redi-Wheels program to provide on-demand, free transit service for passengers with disabilities. This innovative program now provides more than 1,000 trips per day.

In 1988, SamTrans was named the managing agency of a half-cent sales tax measure approved by San Mateo County voters for transportation projects. This sales tax was renewed in 2004 and will be in effect through 2033. Three years later, SamTrans joined with the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board to purchase the Caltrain right-of-way from San Francisco to San Jose and ensure that this regional commuter rail remained in service. SamTrans now serves as the managing agency for Caltrain which is the spine of our transit system on the Peninsula and serves over 55,000 passengers on an average weekday.

Today, SamTrans has a fleet of nearly 300 buses providing service to over 13 million riders per year. SamTrans operates on over 75 routes throughout San Mateo County, with service extended into parts of San Francisco and Palo Alto, and the District has continually improved and upgraded its service over the years to better align with demand.

My own experience with SamTrans dates back to my service on the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors from 1982 to 1992. Throughout my tenure on the Board and in Congress, I'm proud to have worked closely with SamTrans to ensure residents of San Mateo County have access to safe, efficient transportation options that reduce congestion and improve mobility on the Peninsula.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the entire House to join me in honoring SamTrans for 40 years of superb service to the people of San Mateo County.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE LAVEEN ANNUAL COMMUNITY PARADE SPONSORED BY THE LAVEEN LIONS CLUB

HON. RUBEN GALLEGO

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. GALLEGO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the leadership and volunteers who organize and staged the 16th Annual Laveen Community Parade.

Since its inception, the parade has been hosted annually by the Laveen Lions Club. The Laveen chapter was chartered on October

21, 1974, as a member of the largest community service organization in the world, Lions Clubs.

Lions Clubs bring together individuals devoted to making their communities a better place, regardless of race, religion, gender or language. As their motto, "We Serve," indicates, Lions Club members work tirelessly to support and assist those in need.

The 16th Annual Community Parade, which took place in February 2016, honored the agrarian heritage and diversity of the Laveen community. The parade featured local school clubs, horses and riders, community organizations and other officials and floats, including an award-winning float from the Arizona Submarine Veterans Perch Base.

Outside of the annual parade, the Laveen Lions Club engages in a variety of community service projects. This winter, members and volunteers sent over 1,000 Christmas cards to troops in Afghanistan to honor those who serve and protect us. The Lions Club also provided Christmas Baskets full of food and Christmas gifts to thirty-five families and six senior citizens in the community. In addition, they collected and donated 2,615 pounds of food and Christmas gifts for distribution by local food banks, faith-based centers and community organizations.

The Laveen Lions Club has long worked with local elementary and charter schools to conduct a vision and hearing screening program. Across ten local schools, Lions Club volunteers have provided service to more than 3,000 kindergarten, first, second, fourth, sixth grade and special needs students.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud the leadership of Jeff Sprout, this year's Laveen Lions Club Parade Chairperson, as well as the many volunteers who successfully organized and staged the 16th Annual Laveen Community Parade and who are a consistent force for good in the local community.

TRIBUTE TO PATRICIA A. (PAT) ANDERSON—28TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my Congressional District. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Patricia A. (Pat) Anderson, of La Cañada Flintridge, California.

Born in Los Angeles, Pat attended West Athens Elementary School, George Washington School and local colleges.

Pat became President/CEO of the La Cañada Flintridge Chamber of Commerce and Community Association in 2003, a position she holds today. She oversees all aspects of the chamber, including annual events such as the Fiesta Days/Memorial Day Weekend festivities and parade, the chamber's internship program, and works closely with residents, businesses and city officials on local issues. Under her stellar leadership, both the business

and residential membership expanded, the chamber's revenues grew, and she was responsible for creating new programs such as the Chamber Ambassador program. Pat's professional organizations include memberships in the Southern California Chamber of Commerce Executives, Professional Women's Networking Group, California Contract Cities Association, California Chamber of Commerce, and the Los Angeles County BizFed, of which she is a Founding Member.

The consummate volunteer, Ms. Anderson's list of volunteer activities is extensive and varied. She was a member of the Palm Crest Elementary School PTA and the La Cañada High School Drama Boosters Club, civic clubs such as the La Cañada New Members Club and the Thursday Club, the La Cañada Flintridge City Incorporation Committee and was a volunteer instructor at the Braille Institute. Also, Pat is a Founding Member and is active in the Cañada Auxiliary of Professionals, and the O. Warren Hilgren Scholarship committee, is Past President and a current Board Member of the Paradise Valley Homeowners Association, and a Director of the La Cañada Flintridge Coordinating Council. In addition, Pat is a nearly-thirty year member of the Kiwanis Club of La Cañada, and a forty-five year member of the La Cañada Congregational Church, where she has served as a Sunday School Teacher, Music Committee Member and chaired several committees. For her civic and professional accomplishments, Ms. Anderson has received the Kiwanis Club of La Cañada's La Cañadan of the Year Award, the Les Tupper Community Service Award, Business Life Magazine's Woman Achiever 2012 Award, and was named Woman of the Year for the 44th Assembly District in 2010 by then-Assemblyman Anthony Portantino.

A forty-five year resident of La Cañada Flintridge, Pat and her late husband, Rev. Philip Longfellow Anderson, were married for twenty years before his passing in 2003, and have one daughter, Katherine.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring an exceptional woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Patricia A. (Pat) Anderson, for her extraordinary service to the community.

HONORING TROOPER SEAN CULLEN

HON. THOMAS MacARTHUR

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. MACARTHUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory and life of fallen New Jersey State Trooper Sean Cullen of the Third Congressional District, and to express my sincerest condolences to his family and loved ones he has left behind, as well as to recognize his career of public service.

Sean Cullen was a standout athlete at Cinnaminson High School and All-American wrestler at Lycoming College in Pennsylvania, where he earned a degree in criminal justice. After he graduated college, Sean pursued a career in law enforcement, eventually becoming a New Jersey State Trooper. His first police job was in Sea Isle City, where he served as a Special Officer Class II. Sean dedicated five years to the Mount Holly Police Department and then served with the Westampton

Township Police Department before joining the New Jersey State Police. Sean was known by fellow officers for his upbeat and positive spirit, and his ability to overcome any obstacle in his way.

Trooper Cullen sacrificed precious time with his fiancée and son to protect and serve those in need. He was fatally struck by an oncoming vehicle while responding to an accident.

Mr. Speaker, the people of New Jersey's Third Congressional District are tremendously honored by the selfless dedication displayed by Sean Cullen. He was a true hero, who put his life in harm's way to protect and serve those in need. It is with a heavy heart that I rise before the United States House of Representatives to commemorate his career and life, and recognize the lasting legacy that he has left behind.

**STEVEN LANTSBERGER RETIRES
FROM THE CITY OF HESPERIA**

HON. PAUL COOK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Steven Lantsberger who will be retiring from the City of Hesperia after 18 years of service. Mr. Lantsberger is the Director of the city's Economic Development Department.

Mr. Lantsberger has spent nearly 30 years in the fields of economic development and redevelopment. He spearheaded Hesperia's successful efforts to create an Enterprise Zone and Recycling Market Development Zone. His innovative thinking has led to the creation of thousands of jobs in northern and southern California.

Mr. Lantsberger holds numerous professional certifications, including Economic Development Finance Professional, Housing Development Finance Professional, and Real Estate Broker and Appraiser. I want to thank Mr. Lantsberger for his years of service to the City of Hesperia and its citizens. His contributions will undoubtedly have a lasting impact on the people he served. I wish him the best of luck as he enters the newest chapter of his life.

**TRIBUTE TO LINDA S. PURA—28TH
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
WOMAN OF THE YEAR**

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Women's History Month. Each year, we pay special tribute to the contributions and sacrifices made by our nation's women. It is an honor to pay homage to outstanding women who are making a difference in my Congressional District. I would like to recognize a remarkable woman, Linda S. Pura, of Los Feliz, a unique neighborhood in Los Angeles, California.

Born in New Jersey, Linda attended Skidmore College and New Jersey City University for her registered nursing degree and teaching credential, and California State University, Northridge, where she obtained her Master's of Public Administration Degree.

Linda's illustrious forty-two year career as a registered nurse, health care educator and nursing manager began at Bayonne Hospital in Bayonne, New Jersey. After moving to California, she was a critical care instructor for seventeen years at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, and then clinical manager of their blood donor facility, where she was responsible for blood donations and stem cell collection patient care. Linda provided, developed and coordinated educational programs and education needs assessments for over 400 primary care clinicians for the California Department of Health Care Services' Los Angeles County Cancer Detention Program, "Every Woman Counts." In addition, Mrs. Pura acted as the Consumer Representative for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) National Mammography Quality Assurance Advisory Committee, where she advised the FDA in the development of quality standards for mammography facilities and accrediting bodies, and developed procedures to monitor compliance with standards and mechanisms to investigate consumer complaints.

A tireless advocate for women's breast health, Linda co-founded the Susan G. Komen Los Angeles County affiliate, an organization that provides funding for breast cancer education and outreach, and breast health services in the Los Angeles County communities. Linda has participated in multiple aspects of the organization, including serving as Board President, Race for the Cure Chairperson, and on the Education and Grants Committees, and is currently a member of their speakers' bureau, their metastatic breast cancer committee and the Race for the Cure committee. One of Mrs. Pura's major achievements was the design and organization of breast cancer diagnostic centers funded by Susan G. Komen Los Angeles County for symptomatic women and men. For her efforts, Linda received the national organization's Jill Ireland Award for Volunteerism.

Linda and her husband, Marshall Pura, have been Los Feliz residents for almost fifty years. Married for nearly half a century, they have one daughter and two granddaughters.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring an exceptional woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Linda S. Pura, for her extraordinary service to the community.

**HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
OF HENRIETTA LACKS**

HON. ELIJAH E. CUMMINGS

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. CUMMINGS. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to celebrate Mrs. Henrietta Lacks, whose family knew her as a phenomenal woman. Decades after her death, the world now knows her phenomenal life-giving contributions.

Mrs. Lacks could hardly have known the impact her life would have. She grew up humbly in rural Virginia, moving as a young mother with her husband Day to find opportunity in Baltimore. The Lacks family continued to grow until she received her fateful diagnosis. The doctors at Johns Hopkins attempted to treat her cervical cancer, but were unable to save her life.

Of course, that is not the end of the story. In fact, her story is still being told through her

immortal cells, the first to replicate indefinitely, providing clinicians with an invaluable resource for their medical research.

In her lifetime, Henrietta Lacks never witnessed a man land on the moon. She could have hardly imagined that her cells would travel in space to help determine the effects of zero gravity.

Mrs. Lacks died decades before the discovery of AIDS. And still, her cells have contributed to treatments for those living with HIV.

That is immortality. This woman, who gave so much to her family in life, continues to give in her death.

As we celebrate her contributions, we must also acknowledge that they were not freely given. As an African-American woman of few means, she was not afforded in life the respect that she deserved. Her cells were used without her knowledge or her consent.

In fact, Henrietta Lacks' family did not know that her cells had been cultivated until researchers contacted them 25 years after her death requesting additional genetic material.

How could they have known the lengths her cells had traveled? Or the fortunes they had made?

It is tragic that the gift that Henrietta Lacks gave the world was really not a gift at all.

Still, the Lacks family continues to give. They have not shared in the riches that the HeLa cells have made possible. But they have reclaimed their privacy rights, working in cooperation with the National Institutes of Health to control access to their family's genetic code. Today, their experience informs discussions of bioethics and patient consent.

Truly, there will never be another Henrietta Lacks. This phenomenal woman left a legacy of generosity and humility in her remarkable family. I am proud to introduce a resolution today in the House of Representatives to honor Mrs. Henrietta Lacks.

This Women's History Month, I am honored to recognize Mrs. Henrietta Lacks, her life, and her remarkable place in history. On behalf of a grateful nation, thank you to the Lacks family for the countless ways you have enriched our lives.

HONORING LILLIE KAY MITCHELL

HON. STEPHEN LEE FINCHER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. FINCHER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Lillie Kay Mitchell on being named the 2016 Germantown, Tennessee Lions Club Citizen of the Year. This award is indeed a fitting tribute for all the time and sacrifice that Ms. Mitchell has made on behalf of the people of Germantown and all of Shelby County, Tennessee.

After graduating from Leadership Germantown in 2004, Ms. Mitchell has become an active member of the Alumni Association, including serving as the organization's secretary in 2010. She has spearheaded multiple projects including the annual Neighborhood Association Seminar, thus putting her experience of founding the Neshoba North Neighborhood Association to practical use for the betterment of our community.

For the last 10 years, Ms. Mitchell has been a member of Germantown Public Safety Education Commission, including serving as Chair

for five years. Along with completing both her CPR and CERT training, she launched Germantown's Safety City while volunteering in that capacity. Ms. Mitchell is also an energetic leader in the annual Germantown Charity Horse Show, her church, Germantown United Methodist Church, and many more philanthropic endeavors.

Indeed, the Germantown Lions Club could not have made a better selection for their Citizen of the Year than Ms. Lillie Kay Mitchell. On behalf of Tennessee's 8th Congressional District, I would like to congratulate Ms. Mitchell and wish her the best of luck in the future.

HONORING JIM WATSON OF BEDFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE FOLLOWING HIS PASSING ON FEBRUARY 20, 2016

HON. FRANK C. GUINTA

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. GUINTA. Mr. Speaker, I would like to extend my sincerest condolences and sympathy to the family of Jim Watson of Bedford, New Hampshire.

Mr. Watson served his country honorably in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He later started his own business in 1981, Watson Insurance Agency, and remained a well-known and respected businessman in New Hampshire until his retirement in 2011. Jim continued to stay engaged in causes in the community after his retirement, such as the Boy Scouts of America, and was an active member of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) and active in local party politics.

I know that Jim will be best remembered for his kindness and willingness to help others in the community. New Hampshire lost a true friend to the community and we will forever be grateful for his hard work and many contributions over the years.

HONORING HARRY CHARLES

HON. TOM RICE

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. RICE of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mr. Harry Charles.

I met Harry Charles in the mid-1980s at Trinity Episcopal Church. Harry was a gentleman, a gentle man, in every sense. Brilliant, soft-spoken, and dignified with a shock of white hair and a sparkle in his eye, I liked him instantly. He and his wife, Jane, were loving, giving people. They were very involved in the community. The best compliment I can give them, or anyone, is that they were full of God's grace. They were graceful.

Folks often came to Harry after he'd retired for legal advice. Many of those, Harry would send to me, which meant a lot to a young lawyer.

I understate to say Harry and I were friends, and he was a great influence to me. But I want to share one aspect: He came by my office one day, looked me in the eye, and asked

about my community involvement. When he deemed my answers inadequate, he said "I guess we'll have to put you to work." Over the next 20 years, Harry appointed me to a commission to study emergency services, then to 6 years on the Board of Zoning Appeals (ouch), then to 2 terms on Ocean View Foundation. Harry made sure my civic duties were fulfilled.

I may have complained once or twice along the way, but I have no doubt that the people I met, and the lessons I learned carrying out Harry's assignments vastly broadened my perspective and eventually led me to the United States Congress.

Harry will be greatly missed.

IN HONOR OF THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF OLIVE CECELIA BELLMORE OLDFIELD

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the House's attention today to recognize the birthday of Olive Cecelia Bellmore Oldfield. She will turn 100 on March 18th.

Olive was born in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan on March 18th, 1916. She was the third of four children of Jesse and Laura Trudell Bellmore. Early in her life, Olive's family relocated to Detroit, Michigan where her family ran a confectionery store.

She attended Blessed Sacrament Grade School in Detroit and went on to graduate from Visitation High School. After completion of school, she was engaged to her brother's friend, Alfred "Al" Oldfield, a new American citizen from Canada. They were married at Visitation Parish on November 16, 1935.

After World War II, Olive gave birth to four children, John, Janine, Jerome and Mary. At this time, the family decided to venture into business for themselves and began Ecko Beer Distributorship.

Olive and her late husband, Al, have 16 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren. Olive has spoiled each one of them with love and chocolate. She has survived breast cancer twice, both in the late 1960's and again in 2007. She was able to celebrate 59 years of marriage with her husband before his passing.

Olive is young at heart and an inspiration. She still lives alone and never misses her favorite program, "Jeopardy". She always does for others before herself, and taught her four children to do the same. She is a patriot and thankful to be an American citizen of French ancestry.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the life and achievements of Olive Cecelia Bellmore Oldfield and wishing her a happy 100th birthday.

HONORING OFFICER ASHLEY GUINDON AFTER HER PASSING ON FEBRUARY 27, 2016

HON. FRANK C. GUINTA

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. GUINTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to re-member Merrimack High School graduate

Ashley Guindon, a police officer who lost her life in the line of duty on February 27, 2016.

Ashley grew up in New Hampshire in the First Congressional District. Following in her father's footsteps, she joined the Marine Corps Reserve, winning the National Defense Service Medal and Marine Corps Reserve Medal.

Her love of public service brought her back to the nation's capital, where she gained a forensic science degree. She graduated from the Prince William County, Virginia, police academy last year and served her first day on the job on February 27th. That same night, her compassion for others drew her into a deadly situation, which cost Ashley her young life. A suspect shot two more officers and fatally wounded another victim.

Merrimack, New Hampshire, where Ashley's family still lives, mourns her loss. It takes a remarkable individual like Ashley Guindon to risk their life daily to keep us safe and protect us from harm. So let us take a moment today and pause, reflect, and celebrate the life and valor of Officer Guindon. She died trying to protect her fellow citizens and we will all miss her contributions.

CONGRATULATING REVEREND DR. JARVIS L. COLLIER

HON. KEVIN YODER

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. YODER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to send my congratulations to Reverend Dr. Jarvis L. Collier on his 15th Anniversary at Pleasant Green Baptist Church in Kansas City, Kansas.

I've known Reverend Collier for several years now. I met him when I was a brand new Member of Congress representing Wyandotte County in Washington.

The Reverend has always been very kind to me and has welcomed me to Pleasant Green on more than one occasion, including having my wife Brooke and I join the United Prayer Movement to serve meals on Thanksgiving.

His stated goal is "to glorify God as a yielded instrument for preaching/teaching/modeling the redemptive love of God through Jesus Christ, guided by the Holy Spirit."

I've seen how he lives out this goal firsthand. Visiting Pleasant Green Baptist Church I've seen the fruits of his labor for his congregation and community through spreading the good word, working on education initiatives and more.

His leadership is truly an asset to Wyandotte County and the greater Kansas City area.

Reverend Collier, thanks for your dedication and service these past 15 years and I look forward to celebrating many more milestones with you and the wonderful people at Pleasant Green Baptist Church.

HONORING COL. FRED VANN CHERRY

HON. C.A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise before you today to honor the life and legacy

of Col. Fred Vann Cherry, an Air Force fighter pilot who spent seven years as a prisoner of war in Vietnam. Colonel Cherry passed away recently at the age of 87 while living in Maryland.

A native of Suffolk, Virginia, Colonel Cherry was born to farmers on March 24, 1928. He attended the racially segregated schools of the Jim Crow South and graduated in 1951 from Virginia Union University, a historically black college in Richmond. He then joined the Air Force.

Colonel Cherry was a Major who had served more than 100 combat missions in Korea and Vietnam when his bomber was hit by enemy fire in October 1965. He suffered significant injuries while ejecting and was captured immediately upon landing. He spent 702 days in solitary confinement and endured torture at the hands of our enemies. Colonel Cherry was the first and highest-ranking black officer to become a prisoner in Vietnam.

Colonel Cherry credited his survival to a fellow POW who, in turn, credited Colonel Cherry with his. The two wrote a book about their friendship and gave joint talks at military institutions and colleges. Colonel Cherry was also featured in a documentary narrated by Tom Hanks about Vietnam fighter pilots held as POWs.

Colonel Cherry later attended the National War College and the Defense Intelligence School in Washington. After more than 30 years of service, he retired from the Air Force in 1981 as a decorated joint staff officer assigned to the Defense Intelligence Agency. He then started his own engineering company.

While too numerous to mention in their entirety, Colonel Cherry's awards and accolades include two Purple Hearts, the Silver Star, two Bronze Stars and the Air Force Cross, which recognizes "extraordinary heroism," "personal fortitude" in the face of severe enemy harassment and torture and suffering critical injuries. A scholarship in his name is given annually by the Suffolk Foundation.

Colonel Cherry has remained a dedicated father to his five children, three of which also enlisted in our Armed Forces. He died as a grandfather to 14 and a great-grandfather to six.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join with me today to acknowledge the service and sacrifice of Colonel Cherry and that of his family. I humbly express my condolences to his family and wish them peace and comfort in the days ahead.

HONORING REVEREND FRANCIS CRANDALL IN CELEBRATION OF HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. FRANK C. GUINTA

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. GUINTA. Mr. Speaker, I would like to express my congratulations to Reverend Francis Crandall in celebration of his reaching his 100th birthday.

As he reflects on the great memories and milestones that have highlighted the past hundred years, I know he will think fondly on all that he's accomplished and the positive impact he's had on his family and the communities he's served in New Hampshire. In addition to

his fine work in ministry, Reverend Crandall has been a staunch advocate for feeding homeless and needy children around the world, and created the International Concern for Children Foundation (ICCF) to help raise awareness and much needed funds for children at orphanages in thirteen countries.

Rev. Crandall's care for others and focus on helping those most in need has created a strong legacy that will not soon be forgotten. It is with great admiration that I congratulate him on achieving this wonderful milestone, and wish him the best in all future endeavors.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ANN ARBOR CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living on their 40th anniversary. The accomplishment of this long-standing non-profit agency exemplifies the importance and strength of public-private partnerships in our communities.

Founded in February of 1976, the Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living has worked to improve the lives of those living with disabilities in our community. The group was launched to provide help for individuals with disabilities, by people with disabilities. It sought to move beyond the low expectations of people in the disabled community, and worked diligently to help them achieve full participation and access to opportunities that able-bodied people take for granted. At the time of its inception, it was just the fourth Center for Independent Living in the country, and the first in the State of Michigan. The Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living provides the most basic life needs to people: housing, transportation, and access to resources. Their work has now expanded to positively impact the lives of over 4,000 people in Southeast Michigan each year.

The center offers individualized counseling, advocacy efforts, skill-building classes, recreation, arts programming, and other tools that build a sense of community and belonging for all. For 40 years, the Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living has held itself to the highest standards of excellence to ensure that our residents continue to have a place to turn for support in good times and in bad times.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in honoring the Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living on their 40th Anniversary and to wish them many more years of continued success.

RECOGNIZING THE 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PAISANO

HON. JOAQUIN CASTRO

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 35th anniversary of The

Paisano, the independent student newspaper at the University of San Antonio (UTSA). For three and a half decades, dedicated, talented students have run every aspect of the paper's publication. From reporting, to editing, to managing the paper's budget, it's the driven young people at UTSA who have made The Paisano's success over the years possible.

Each week, 7,000 copies of The Paisano circulate on campus, expanding students' horizons, challenging their thinking, and enriching campus life. Thanks to the Paisano, learning at UTSA doesn't end when students leave the classroom.

A vibrant, free press plays a vital role in American society, and The Paisano fosters a welcoming community where the next generation of journalists can cut their teeth and hone their craft. Enthusiasm and a desire to learn are the only prerequisites for joining the paper's staff. Even for alumni of The Paisano's team who pursue careers in fields other than journalism, the lessons in leadership, teamwork, and entrepreneurship learned during their time with the paper serve them well.

I applaud the members of The Paisano's staff, past and present. Their legacy lives on at UTSA, and will continue to do so for years to come as future classes take up the torch—and pen—at The Paisano.

HONORING KEITH BRYAR JR. OF LACONIA, NEW HAMPSHIRE FOLLOWING HIS PASSING ON FEBRUARY 20, 2016

HON. FRANK C. GUINTA

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. GUINTA. Mr. Speaker, I would like to extend my sincerest condolences and sympathy to the family of Keith Bryar of Moultonborough, New Hampshire.

Mr. Bryar was an active member of the Lakes Region community where he was born and raised. After spending time in Alaska to gain experience in the construction industry, he returned to New Hampshire to start his own business, Bryar Enterprises, which he owned and operated for thirty years. During this time he was an active member of the community and became known for his professionalism and strong work ethic.

Keith's other passion in life, following his great love for his family, was his involvement in racing sled dogs, a tradition he carried on from his parents. His love of sled dogs and racing them pushed him to compete across the U.S. and Canada, earning him many titles along the way and the respect of many involved in the sport.

New Hampshire and the Lakes Region lost a true friend, and we will forever be grateful for his hard work and commitment to the community he held so dear.

HONORING JACK PLUCKHAHN

HON. DARRELL E. ISSA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Frederick John Pluckhahn.

Jack was a prominent and instrumental leader in the consumer electronics industry and he will be dearly missed by his many colleagues and friends across the nation.

As a young man, Jack earned a Bachelor's of Science at the University of Wisconsin—Madison and served in the United States Navy from 1955 to 1957. After beginning his entrepreneurial career in Minneapolis, Minnesota as a buyer for Dayton's Department Store, he relocated with his family in 1968 to New Jersey to join Matsushita Electric Industrial Corporation, known today as Panasonic Corporation. During his tenure at Panasonic, he served as Vice President of the Southern Group of Matsushita Electric Corporation of America (MECA) from 1972 to 1982 before becoming President of MECA's Quasar Division in Chicago, Illinois. From 1989 to 1994, as Vice President of MECA, he was responsible for operations and headquarters functions at the company.

From 1986 to 1994, Jack volunteered for several leadership positions with the Consumer Electronics Group, known today as the Consumer Technology Association. As Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Video Chair, he played a key role in the nation's switch to digital and high-definition television, and in the words of CTA President Gary Shapiro, "Television as we know it today . . . would not be possible without the contributions of Jack and his colleagues."

In addition to his accomplishments in the consumer electronics industry, Jack was actively involved in his community, both as a Court Appointed Special Advocate for the Planning Commission in Morgan County, Georgia and as the County's Habitat for Humanity Executive Director from 1996 to 2008. It was his honor to carry the Olympic Torch for the Atlanta Olympic Games in 1996.

Jack passed away on February 11, 2016 from Parkinson's disease and is survived by Nancy, his wife of fifty-six years, and their children: Susan and Felix Vizurraga, Jill and Mat Morgan, Scott Pluckhahn and Keith Crosby, Thomas Pluckhahn and Becky Zarger, and Michael Pluckhahn. My thoughts and prayers are with his family.

IN MEMORY OF BRIGADIER
GENERAL RUFUS C. LAZZELL

HON. THOMAS J. ROONEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. ROONEY of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Rufus C. Lazzell, retired Brigadier General and former mayor of Punta Gorda, Florida, who sadly passed away on Saturday, March 12, 2016 at the age of 86.

Rufus Lazzell served as an officer in the United States Army for thirty years during which time he fought and commanded valiantly in two of our nation's wars, Korea and Vietnam. He commanded the 1st Battalion, 16th Infantry Regiment (Ranger) during the first battle of Prek Klok in 1967 and then went on to hold multiple staff positions throughout the Army, including working for the Army Chief of Staff. He retired from military service in 1981, earning the rank of Brigadier General. His service awards include: the Army Distinguished Service Medal, two awards of the Sil-

ver Star for gallantry in combat, three awards of the Legion of Merit, three awards of the Bronze Star Medal (including one for valor), Defense Superior Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, four awards of the Air Medal, two awards of the Army Commendation Medal and the Purple Heart.

Although retired from military service, Rufus continued to serve the people of the United States. He served on the Punta Gorda City Council for eight years including four years as mayor. He was a strong supporter of preserving the Charlotte County Court House, a founding member of the Military Heritage Museum, was the museum's first inductee on their "Wall of Warrior", and was the president of the Cultural Center of Charlotte County. Although he held high positions of power, Rufus' magnanimous character is to be admired and was highlighted when he worked as a sales clerk in a local hardware store because he "wanted to learn the hardware business and find out how to fix things."

Rufus was more than a pillar in the community, he was an intricate member of the community's foundation. Rufus is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Jo Jac, daughters Victoria and Linda, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I speak for all of Charlotte County in saying that our thoughts and prayers are with Brigadier General Lazzell's family, as well as his friends, co-workers and the entire community as they mourn his passing. He will be missed.

RECOGNIZING NACDS RxIMPACT
DAY

HON. DAVID LOEBSACK

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. LOEBSACK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Eighth Annual NACDS RxIMPACT Day on Capitol Hill. This is a special day where we recognize pharmacy's contribution to the American healthcare system. This year's event, organized by the National Association of Chain Drug Stores, takes place on March 16–17. Nearly 400 individuals from the pharmacy community—including practicing pharmacists, pharmacy school faculty and students, state pharmacy association representatives and pharmacy company leaders—will visit Capitol Hill. They will share their views with Congress about the importance of supporting legislation that protects access to community and neighborhood pharmacies and that utilizes pharmacists to improve the quality and reduce the costs of providing healthcare.

Advocates from over 40 states have travelled to Washington to talk about the pharmacy community's contributions in over 40,000 community pharmacies nationwide. These important healthcare providers are here to educate Congress about the value of pharmacy and the important access provided by community pharmacies in the nation's healthcare delivery system. And just as these providers travelled to meet with us, Members of Congress and their staff have toured retail chain pharmacies in our own communities more than 400 times since 2009.

Patients have always relied on their local pharmacist to meet their healthcare needs.

The local pharmacist is a trusted, highly accessible healthcare provider deeply committed to providing the highest quality care in the most efficient manner possible.

As demand for healthcare services continues to grow, pharmacists have expanded their role in healthcare delivery, partnering with physicians, nurses and other healthcare providers to meet their patients' needs. Innovative services provided by pharmacists do even more to improve patient healthcare. Pharmacists are highly valued by those that rely on them most—those in rural and underserved areas, as well as older Americans, and those struggling to manage chronic diseases. Pharmacy services improve patients' quality of life as well as healthcare affordability. By helping patients take their medications effectively and providing preventive services, pharmacists help avoid more costly forms of care. Pharmacists also help patients identify strategies to save money, such as through better understanding of their pharmacy benefits, using generic medications, and obtaining 90-day supplies of prescription drugs from local pharmacies.

Pharmacists are the nation's most accessible healthcare providers. In many communities, especially in rural areas, the local pharmacist is a patient's most direct link to healthcare. Eighty-six percent of Americans reside within a five-mile radius of a community pharmacy. Pharmacists are one of our nation's most trusted healthcare professionals. Utilizing their specialized education, pharmacists play a major role in medication therapy management, disease-state management, immunizations, healthcare screenings, and other healthcare services designed to improve patient health and reduce overall healthcare costs. Pharmacists are also expanding their role into new models of care based on quality of services and outcomes, such as accountable care organizations (ACOs) and medical homes.

The pharmacy advocates of NACDS RxIMPACT Day on Capitol Hill are promoting legislation, H.R. 592/S. 314, the Pharmacy and Medically Underserved Areas Enhancement Act, to allow Medicare Part B to utilize pharmacists to their full capability by providing underserved beneficiaries with services, subject to state scope of practice laws. They are also working to ensure that the TRICARE pharmacy program keeps prescription copays affordable for beneficiaries as well as preserving their ability to choose to fill their prescriptions at their community pharmacy. They also are promoting measures, such as H.R. 793/S. 1190, the Ensuring Seniors Access to Local Pharmacies Act of 2015 to guarantee Medicare Part D access and transparency.

I believe Congress should look at every opportunity to make sure that pharmacists are allowed to utilize their training to the fullest to provide the services that can improve care, increase access and lower costs. In recognition of the Eighth Annual NACDS RxIMPACT Day on Capitol Hill, I would like to congratulate pharmacy leaders, pharmacists, students, and the entire pharmacy community represented by the National Association of Chain Drug Stores, for their contributions to the health and wellness of the American people.

IN HONOR OF MR. MARTY McVEY

HON. AL GREEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I would like to honor a respected business and community leader, Marty McVey.

Mr. McVey proudly served the American people for over four years, from 2011 to 2015. In 2011, he was appointed by President Barack Obama to serve as a Director of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Board for International Food and Agricultural Development (BIFAD). USAID plays a critical role in our nation's efforts to stabilize regions and build responsive local governance. The agency addresses many of the same problems as military interventions, but uses a different set of tools.

Mr. McVey's responsibilities with the agency included providing guidance to the federal government regarding investments in training, research, and technology transfer to developing countries. As part of these responsibilities, Mr. McVey served as Chairman for the Haitian Reconstruction Task Force, as well as Chairman of the BIFAD Budget Committee.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of a friend who has served our President and our country well, the Honorable Marty McVey.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, March 15, 2016 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

MARCH 16

10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
 Business meeting to consider S. 2658, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2016 through 2017, S. 2644, to reauthorize the Federal Communications Commission for fiscal years 2017 and 2018, and a routine list in the Coast Guard.

SR-253

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine the 2016 Water Resources Development Act, focusing on policies and projects.

SD-406

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Business meeting to consider S. 1455, to provide access to medication-assisted therapy, S. 2256, to establish programs for health care provider training in Federal health care and medical facilities, to establish Federal co-prescribing guidelines, to establish a grant program with respect to naloxone, S. 480, to amend and reauthorize the controlled substance monitoring program under section 3990 of the Public Health Service Act, an original bill entitled, "Mental Health Reform Act of 2016", and an original bill entitled, "Plan of Safe Care Improvement Act".

SD-106

Committee on the Judiciary

Subcommittee on Immigration and the National Interest

To hold hearings to examine the impact of immigration on United States workers.

SD-226

Committee on Veterans' Affairs

To hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of multiple Veterans Service Organizations.

SD-G50

10:30 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Department of Defense

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the National Guard and Reserve.

SD-192

2 p.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine Department of Homeland Security management and acquisition reform.

SD-342

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine preventing a fiscal crisis in America, focusing on a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution.

SD-226

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the National Nuclear Security Administration.

SD-138

Committee on Armed Services

Subcommittee on Airland

To hold hearings to examine Army Unmanned Aircraft Vehicle and Air Force Remotely Piloted Aircraft Enterprises in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

SR-222

Committee on Armed Services

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities

To hold closed hearings to examine the Department of Defense's global counterterrorism strategy.

SVC-217

MARCH 17

9 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management

To hold hearings to examine agency use of deference.

SD-342

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the Department of Defense budget posture in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

SD-G50

9:45 a.m.

Special Committee on Aging

To hold hearings to examine sudden price spikes in decades-old Rx drugs.

SD-562

10 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the Department of Labor.

SD-138

Committee on Finance

To hold hearings to examine HealthCare.gov, focusing on a review of operations and enrollment.

SD-215

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the Administration's nuclear agenda.

SD-419

Committee on the Judiciary

Business meeting to consider S. 247, to amend section 349 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to deem specified activities in support of terrorism as renunciation of United States nationality, S. 2390, to provide adequate protections for whistleblowers at the Federal Bureau of Investigation, S. 2613, to reauthorize certain programs established by the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006, S. 2614, to amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, to reauthorize the Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Alert Program, and to promote initiatives that will reduce the risk of injury and death relating to the wandering characteristics of some children with autism, and the nominations of Elizabeth J. Drake, of Maryland, Jennifer Choe Groves, of Virginia, and Gary Stephen Katzmann, of Massachusetts, each to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade, and Clare E. Connors, to be United States District Judge for the District of Hawaii.

SD-226

2 p.m.

Select Committee on Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters.

SH-219

3 p.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

Subcommittee on National Parks

To hold hearings to examine S. 2177 and H.R. 959, bills to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the Medgar Evers House, located in Jackson, Mississippi, S. 651 and H.R. 1289, bills to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain land in Martinez, California,

for inclusion in the John Muir National Historic Site, H.R. 1949, to provide for the consideration and submission of site and design proposals for the National Liberty Memorial approved for establishment in the District of Columbia, S. 1329 and H.R. 2288, bills to remove the use restrictions on certain land transferred to Rockingham County, Virginia, H.R. 2880, to redesignate the Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Site in the State of Georgia, S. 1930 and H.R. 3371, bills to adjust the boundary of the Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park to include the Wallis House and Harriston Hill, S. 119, to amend the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act to provide for a lifetime National Recreational Pass for any veteran with a service-connected disability, S. 718, to modify the boundary of Petersburg National Battlefield in the Commonwealth of Virginia, S. 770, to authorize Escambia County, Florida, to convey certain property that was formerly part of Santa Rosa Island National Monument and that was conveyed to Escambia County subject to restrictions on use and reconveyance, S. 1577, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of East Rosebud Creek in Carbon County, Montana, as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 1943, to modify the boundary of the Shiloh National Military Park located in the State of Tennessee and Mississippi, to establish Parker's Crossroads Battlefield as an affiliated area of the National Park System, S. 1975, to establish the Sewall-Belmont House National Historic Site as a unit of the National Park System, S. 1982, to authorize a Wall of Remembrance as part of the Korean War Veterans Memorial and to allow certain private contributions to fund the Wall of Remembrance, S. 1993, to establish the 21st Century Conservation Service Corps to place youth and veterans in the United States in national service positions to protect, restore, and enhance the great

outdoors of the United States, S. 2039, to designate the mountain at the Devils Tower National Monument, Wyoming, as Devils Tower, S. 2061, to designate a National Memorial to Fallen Educators at the National Teachers Hall of Fame in Emporia, Kansas, S. 2309, to amend title 54, United States Code, to establish within the National Park Service the U.S. Civil Rights Network, S. 2608, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to place signage on Federal land along the trail known as the "American Discovery Trail", S. 2620, to facilitate the addition of park administration at the Coltsville National Historical Park, S. 2628, to authorize the National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs.

SD-366

APRIL 5

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the effects of consumer finance regulations.

SD-538

APRIL 6

2 p.m.

Committee on Armed Services
Subcommittee on SeaPower

To hold hearings to examine Navy shipbuilding programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

SR-222

APRIL 7

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Business meeting to consider the nominations of Jay Neal Lerner, of Illinois, to be Inspector General, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and Amias Moore Gerety, of Connecticut,

to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's Semi-Annual Report to Congress.

SD-538

APRIL 13

2 p.m.

Committee on Armed Services
Subcommittee on SeaPower

To hold hearings to examine Marine Corps ground modernization in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

SR-232A

APRIL 14

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Investment

Subcommittee on Economic Policy

To hold joint hearings to examine current trends and changes in the fixed-income markets.

SD-538

APRIL 20

2 p.m.

Committee on Armed Services
Subcommittee on SeaPower

To hold hearings to examine Navy and Marine Corps aviation programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

SR-232A

APRIL 27

2:15 p.m.

Committee on Indian Affairs

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Government Accountability Office report on "Telecommunications: Additional Coordination and Performance Measurement Needed for High-Speed Internet Access Programs on Tribal Lands."

SD-628