

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT BRIAN L. ZATOR'S THIRTY-TWO YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AND AIR FORCE RESERVE

HON. TIM MURPHY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Citizen Airman Chief Master Sergeant Brian L. Zator upon the occasion of his retirement after 32 years of honorable service to our great Nation in the United States Air Force and Air Force Reserve.

Chief Zator was born on April 8, 1966 in Morgantown, West Virginia. He graduated from Saint Francis High School in Morgantown in 1984 and entered the Air Force in July that year. Upon graduation of Administration Management Specialist Course, he was assigned to the 62nd Air Base Group and then to the 446th Airlift Wing, McChord AFB, Washington, from 1984 to 1989, as an Administrative Specialist. In June 1989, he transitioned from the Air Force to the Air Force Reserve, joining the 911th Civil Engineer Squadron, Detachment Number 1, Morgantown, West Virginia as the Non-Commissioned Officer in charge (NCOIC), Management Assistant, of the Orderly Room. Then, in August 1991, he became an Air Reserve Technician, a dual hatted Citizen Airman, serving the Air Force Reserve Command as a Civil Servant during the week and again serving the Air Force Reserve Command as a member of the uniformed service during the weekends and whenever the nation called upon him with the 911th Airlift Wing, Civil Engineer Squadron, Pittsburgh International Airport, Air Reserve Station, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania. In 1995, he was promoted to the grade of Master Sergeant, taking on an active leadership role within the 911th Airlift Wing and within the Air Force Reserve Command. In 1997, he was selected as the winner of the Air Force Reserve Command Outstanding Civil Engineering Air Reserve Technician of the year award. That same year he was a member of the Air Force Reserve Command Outstanding Civil Engineering Squadron of the Year. In 1998, he alone was selected from thousands of his peers within the state, as the winner of the Air Force Association Outstanding Reservist Award for Pennsylvania.

In October 1999, he transitioned careers, both civilian and military, into the Financial Management career field. From October 1999 through October 2006, he was the Financial Management Superintendent as an Air Reserve Technician with the 911th Airlift Wing. In 2000, he again was promoted, this time to the grade of Senior Master Sergeant. Chief Zator was clearly being recognized by leadership within the Air Force Reserve Command for his abilities to assume additional responsibility and to lead within the 911th Airlift Wing. In 2001, he was again individually selected from

thousands of his peers within the state as the winner of the Air Force Association Outstanding Reservist Award for Pennsylvania. In 2003, he was selected as the winner of the Air Force Reserve Command Financial Services Civilian of the Year award, and in 2004 he was selected as the winner of the 911th Airlift Wing Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year award. In 2005, he deployed to the 496th Air Base Group, Morón Air Base, Spain as a Deployed Paying Agent. That same year, and again in 2006, he was selected as the winner of the Air Force Reserve Command Financial Management Enlisted Superintendent of the Year award and the winner of the 2006, 911th Airlift Wing Civilian of the Year award. In 2006, he was promoted to the highest enlisted rank within the Air Force, Chief Master Sergeant. As a Chief Master Sergeant, one assumes responsibilities for all enlisted troops and serves as a guide and mentor for junior personnel, officer and enlisted, alike.

In November 2006 through January 2013, he served as the Chief of Financial Management for the 911th Airlift Wing. During that time, in 2007 and again in 2008, he was selected as the winner of the Air Force Reserve Command Comptroller Organization of the Year award, and in 2009, he was selected as the winner of the Air Force Reserve Command James E. Short Award for Outstanding Mentorship and Career Development. Then, in 2011, he was selected as the winner of the Air Force Reserve Command Financial Management Enlisted Superintendent of the Year and the winner of the 2011 Defense Finance and Accounting Service-Limestone's Partnership for Success Award. From January 2013 through September 2016, in Chief Zator's final military role within the Air Force Reserve, he was hand selected to be the Command Chief of the 911th Airlift Wing, Pittsburgh International Airport, Air Reserve Station, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania. During this time, Chief Zator served as the Wing Commanders' senior enlisted advisor on matters concerning troop welfare, effective utilization, and progress of the enlisted members of the 911th Airlift Wing. As an example of the work Chief Zator did on behalf of the 911th Airlift Wing, he went about forging partnerships with local educational institutions resulting in college level courses being taught at the 911th Airlift Wing. His vision came to fruition in January 2014, when the 911th Airlift Wing partnered with Robert Morris University and started teaching eight week General Education courses. These courses were part of the initiative to meet the forthcoming requirements for enlisted military personnel to have a Community College of the Air Force Associates Degree for consideration for promotion to Senior Master Sergeant and Chief Master Sergeant. Since this partnership, the 911th Airlift Wing has presented over 150 Community College of the Air Force Associate degrees to its members. The 911th Airlift Wing has gone from not being ranked in the top 25 percent of Community College of the Air Force Associates Degree graduates to being ranked Number 8 in

2014 to being ranked Number 2 in 2015 within the Air Force Reserve.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress and a grateful Nation, I extend our deepest appreciation to Chief Master Sergeant Brian Zator for his many years of dedicated service. There is no question that the Air Force, Department of Defense, and the United States benefitted greatly from Chief Zator's visionary leadership, planning, and foresight, and we wish him and his wife, Lorie, and his son Nicolas, the very best.

TAMMY BANFIELD'S STORY

HON. FRANK C. GUINTA

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GUINTA. Mr. Speaker, on August 17th, 2015 Tammy Banfield was on her way out the door with her 2 year old daughter when she heard a knock on the door that would change their lives forever. Brien, her partner and father to their daughter Kendal, was in the ICU. On August 23, 2015 he was pronounced dead at 38 years old. Brien was a hard worker, a brother, a friend, a partner, and most importantly the father to three amazing girls. He was someone who put others before himself and lent a helping hand whenever possible. Brien struggled with depression, anxiety and an addiction that started at the age of 8. Despite his problems, he always made time for his family. From singing the ABC's to their daughter to cooking her dinner and changing her diapers, Brien always put his family first. Kendal, to this day, still speaks lovingly of her father. Tammy wants no one else to go through her family's trouble and she has seen firsthand that it is possible to recover from addiction. Tammy has two brothers who were able to recover from the treatment and an ongoing, consistent support team. Each individual's support team looks different; for some it is groups like AA, NA and the up-and-coming HA, while others rely on family and friends who have recovered. None of these options are possible without the ability to first seek and receive comprehensive, quality treatment.

HONORING DR. PAUL MODRICH

HON. BEN RAY LUJÁN

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Dr. Paul Modrich, who grew up in Raton, New Mexico and won the 2015 Nobel Prize in Chemistry with Tomas Lindahl and Aziz Sancar. Dr. Modrich was awarded the Nobel Prize for explaining and mapping how the human body repairs mistakes in DNA replication during cell division, which experts say

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will aid future research into the treatment of cancer and various illnesses associated with aging.

Dr. Modrich grew up in Raton, a town of less than 7,000 people in northern New Mexico, and graduated from Raton High School in 1964. From a young age, he frequently took on science projects with an inquisitive spirit that made it no surprise to family and friends when he decided to pursue a career as a scientist. After graduating, Dr. Modrich headed east to study biology at MIT, then moved to Stanford for his doctorate in biochemistry. He has spent most of his professional career at Duke University, where he became the James B. Duke Professor of Biochemistry in 1988.

Despite the geographic diversity of his endeavors, Dr. Modrich credits his childhood in Raton as a key inspiration for his career in science. "There was huge biological diversity around me," he said. "Within five miles, the ecology can change dramatically. It was very thought provoking." Raton is a special place where deep roots and a strong connection to the land are hallmarks of this community, and these qualities have left a lasting impact on Paul Modrich.

Dr. Modrich's accomplishments serve as a reminder that New Mexico is home to immense talent. His success stands as a testament to the virtues of hard work, determination, and curiosity, and provide an example that will encourage young people in New Mexico and across the country to follow their dreams and change the world. Dr. Modrich has shown that just because you are from a small town does not mean you can't go on to do big things. Again, congratulations to Dr. Modrich on his tremendous achievement. The people of Raton and New Mexico are proud of him.

RECOGNITION OF THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF MONTENEGRO'S INDEPENDENCE

HON. DOUG LAMBORN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. LAMBORN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Montenegro on the tenth anniversary of their independence, which will occur on Saturday, May 21.

Ten years ago this week, voters in Montenegro went to the polls in a referendum which posed the question, "Do you want Montenegro to be an independent state?" When the dust settled in the evening of May 21, 2006, 55.5 percent of voters chose to peacefully dissolve the union with Serbia.

Shortly thereafter, all five members of the United Nations Security Council recognized the newest country in the world. In a region marked by bullets and bombs, this was the beginning of a praiseworthy chapter in regional and trans-Atlantic history.

In addition, I am very pleased that this proud nation is on a path to become the newest member of NATO. Its inclusion in NATO will strengthen regional and trans-Atlantic security, and sends a strong message of strength to friend and foe alike.

Given that countries much larger than Montenegro often dominate our foreign policy, it is easy to overlook the importance of ten years of U.S.-Montenegro relations.

U.S. government assistance to Montenegro has aimed to help the country advance toward Euro-Atlantic integration, increase its ability to fight organized crime and corruption, strengthen its civil society and democratic structures, and provide stability in the fragile Balkans.

Meanwhile, American business leaders likewise play a vital role. For example, the Stratex Group is the largest American investor in Montenegro. The CEO was one of the first Jewish families to flee the scourge of Soviet Communism settling in our great country. Today, his company is working alongside our Embassy and recently just hosted airmen from the Air War College. Only two places in Montenegro fly the American flag: the U.S. Embassy and the Stratex properties.

Beyond strengthening our formal diplomatic alliance, my colleagues here in Congress must endeavor to creatively promote business and cultural diplomacy—in Montenegro and around the world. We must encourage our diplomats to have a greater appreciation for American investments in emerging democracies.

I believe that with a full commitment to rule of law, transparency and an independent judiciary, Montenegro will achieve its stated goal of further attracting American investors and, in the process, strengthen the trans-Atlantic community.

With the focus of Congress, I am confident Montenegrin government leaders will fully commit to prioritizing these critical reforms and educating a new generation about conducting corruption-free business in the 21st century. As Chairman of the Montenegro Caucus, I will continue to support Montenegro, and I will continue to support a stable, secure Europe based on collective self-defense, free trade and economic freedom, the rule of law, and democracy.

PEOPLE LIE—NUMBERS DON'T

HON. TERRI A. SEWELL

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Ms. SEWELL of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, today on this Restoration Tuesday, I rise to bring attention to the continued voter suppression affecting Americans around the country during this election year and the ongoing battle to protect the constitutional right to vote.

It has been said that new restrictive voting laws were made to prevent voter fraud, but there is little evidence showing a significant problem. It has been said that having certain photo IDs are a simple request for those seeking to vote, while thousands of Americans such as the elderly, college students and city-dwellers who use public transportation and others lack such newly required IDs. Much is done in the name of noble reasons, but often the truth lies not in words but in deeds and results. The truth is this—Americans want to vote, but these new suppressive state voting laws are making it especially difficult.

Here are some numbers: Seventeen states have introduced new voting procedures to be in place for the November election, more than half of which are being challenged in court. In all, over 30 states across the country have implemented new restrictive laws aimed at blocking the American people from the ballot box. After the Supreme Court decision in the

Shelby case, the state of Alabama closed over 30 DMVs, the most common location to receive a photo ID. Strict voting ID laws in Texas could leave up to 600,000 voters without the proper ID. Also in 2008, Arizona had 400 voting polls. They went down to 200 voting polls in 2012 and now in 2016 they are down to 60.

Across the nation, voting polls have been shut down and voters have been shut out. New photo ID laws have been passed and eligible voters have been passed up. With so many new state laws that have made it harder for voters to get to the polls, we must take a hard look around and ask the question—why don't we want people to vote? Why make voting for eligible voters harder and not easier? Are these new laws really about preventing voter fraud? The leaders in Congress need to have answers to these questions. Suppression of the right to vote is especially un-democratic and ultimately un-American.

In the midst of this devastating blow to our democratic process, here are some numbers that we can be proud of: Virginia Governor Terry McAuliffe recently restored voting rights to about 200,000 individuals with a past felony conviction. On March 10th of this year, Maryland also restored the right to vote for an estimated 40,000 individuals with past felony convictions. It is encouraging to see examples of leaders who believe in our democracy and believe in the Constitutional right to have one's voice heard through their right to vote.

I don't have to remind anyone that this is an election year. But when I look around and see the ongoing suppression of the right to vote, I feel obligated to remind us all of what is at stake in this election. Every voice matters, every vote matters. Unfortunately, if eligible voters continue to be hindered by these new suppressive state laws; every voice will not be heard. Every potential vote will not be counted.

Voting rights need to be protected and eligible voters need proponents of the Constitution and the democratic process to fight for them—to fight for their rights. The suppression needs to stop, the oppression needs to stop, and the excuses need to stop. There is too much at stake this election year and Congress needs to stand up and do something about it now.

On this Restoration Tuesday, I give us all the charge to battle against the continued suppression of the American vote and stand strong by our principles of democracy, liberty, and justice for all.

Mr. Speaker, my Republican colleagues should join the 168 members of Congress and support H.R. 2867—the Voting Rights Advancement Act of 2015. Let's restore the Voting Rights Act of 1965. It is the right thing to do.

ANGELS OF ADDICTION

HON. FRANK C. GUINTA

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GUINTA. Mr. Speaker, Angels of Addiction is an organization created by Anne Marie Farley Zanfagna about a year after the death of her youngest daughter, Jacqueline Zanfagna. Jacqueline died of a heroin overdose on October 18, 2014. At the time of

Jackie's death, her parents, Anne and Jim Zanfagna made the decision to be open with her cause of death, in hopes of raising awareness of heroin addiction.

After Jacqueline passed away, Anne Marie, an artist who works with oil paints, found she could not paint. When she finally began to paint again, she painted a vibrant, joyful portrait of Jackie which she worked on over the period of a couple of months. Anne felt that the time spent working on her painting of Jacqueline was time spent with her daughter. Anne brought her painting of Jackie to the heroin addiction support group that she and her husband attend every third Sunday of the month in Plaistow, NH. Everyone at the meeting loved her painting and she offered to paint a portrait for another family who also lost their daughter to a heroin overdose.

Anne Marie Zanfagna's portrait art raises awareness of the danger of heroin addiction. As heroin addiction has reached epidemic proportions in America, many families have lost children or loved ones to the addiction. Ultimately, Anne Marie plans to create a traveling art show of portraits of those who have succumbed to heroin addiction which she hopes to bring to the State House in New Hampshire and then across the nation, to the U.S. Capitol.

Long term goals for Angels of Addictions include raising money for a yearly scholarship in Jacqueline Zanfagna's name for an outstanding student who plans to work in addiction recovery and art therapy. Angels of Addictions also plans to support other local addiction resources including a sober house for heroin addictions.

THE MEDICARE BENEFICIARY ENROLLMENT IMPROVEMENT ACT

HON. JIM McDERMOTT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce the Medicare Beneficiary Enrollment Improvement Act. This bill provides newly-eligible Medicare beneficiaries with clearer, easier-to-understand information in their Welcome to Medicare package. This will help beneficiaries make better informed decisions regarding their options for receiving benefits through the Medicare program.

The decisions that newly-eligible beneficiaries make have consequences that can last a lifetime. For example, individuals who opt out of Part B coverage during their initial enrollment period must pay a lifetime premium penalty of 10 percent for each 12-month period in which they were not enrolled. By reforming the Welcome to Medicare package, this bill makes a small but important improvement that will provide beneficiaries with the information they need to fully understand their options.

IN HONOR OF THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TAIPEI CHINESE CULTURE SUMMER CAMP

HON. PAUL A. GOSAR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. GOSAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Taipei Chinese Culture Summer Camp on its 20th anniversary.

The Taipei Chinese Culture Summer Camp, held in Phoenix, has been recognized for its outstanding performance time and time again. It was designated as an official Arizona Centennial Event, it has been recognized here in Congress, and it is a recipient of the Phoenix Mayor's Partnership Award.

Phoenix, Arizona and Taipei, Taiwan have enjoyed a Sister Cities Relationship for 37 years. The industrious people of Taipei share many things in common with Arizonans, including a strong work ethic, a peaceful nature, a love of nature and beauty, and amazing architecture.

The camp will take place June 13–17, 2016 and is open to students from all schools. This camp will promote Taiwanese and Chinese Culture, Folk Arts and Sports. In addition, it will educate our youth regarding the importance of cultural awareness and show the many similarities between our two cultures. The camp will also let children learn leadership and teamwork skills while also teaching an understanding of international issues and friendship among our nations. Perhaps most importantly for the children, it will be fun.

We recognize these achievements and encourage them to grow in the future. Again, it is my pleasure to congratulate the Taipei Chinese Summer Camp on its 20th anniversary.

HONORING JOSEPH ROBERT LEE SIGRIST

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Joseph Robert Lee Sigrist. Joe is a man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship through his service in the United States Navy during the Second World War.

Joe enlisted in the Navy in 1943 where he performed vital maintenance on naval ships throughout California, Japan, and the Pacific until he completed his service in 1946. After the war, Joe continued his important work by attending the Colorado School of Mines. He worked as a machinist and tool and die maker before moving to St. Joseph, Missouri to work at Goetz Brewery. However, it could be said that one of his most notable accomplishments is his over 50 year marriage to his wife Phyllis.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Joseph Sigrist for his service to our country—a service that preserved the freedom of his fellow citizens and the future of the United States of America.

COURTNEY GRIFFIN'S STORY

HON. FRANK C. GUINTA

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GUINTA. Mr. Speaker, Courtney Griffin was an energetic child who always did well in her classes. Once she reached high school, her parents were amazed at her maturity and work ethic when she got her first job. In order to continue working her job, Courtney's parents allowed her to get a car to drive to and from work. Courtney's job required her to work late hours and she began hanging around the wrong people. She started coming home later and later, her grades fell and pills started going missing in their house. The older she got, the more times money and pills would go missing. Courtney was eventually accepted into the University of Hawaii, but her parents made her stay an extra year at home to prove she would not continue her behavior in college. Courtney began working for her father, handling all inventory duties for his business. She gradually saved up enough money to buy another car and got a boyfriend. But then Courtney's story took a turn for the worst and she began abusing heroin. She began disappearing for long periods of time and began stealing money from her father's company. Her parents tried to find her treatment, but all of the options were too expensive and their insurance company would not cover the bills. So they took Courtney to emergency rooms, hoping to get her admitted and treated. At every hospital she was released within an hour without any form of treatment. The local authorities told them that the only way to get Courtney help was to kick her out and cut her insurance so she could receive homeless benefits. Once her parents cut her off, Courtney moved in with her boyfriend's grandparents. Eventually, her boyfriend was arrested for violating parole and she was all on her own in a strange home with people she did not know. One night, she bought and used a dose of fentanyl that was 80 times stronger than she thought. That night, she drifted away and never woke up. In one day, Courtney's parents lost their child to an addiction that went untreated. Courtney's boyfriend overdosed in the same house, in the same room, in the same bed just a short while later.

TRIBUTE TO ELIZABETH AND DALE WICHMAN

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Elizabeth and Dale Wichman of Council Bluffs, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. They were married on April 5, 1956, at Fort Lewis, Washington.

Elizabeth and Dale's lifelong commitment to each other and to their children, Michael, Susan, Sandra, and Julie, and their grandchildren and great-grandchildren truly embodies Iowa values. It is because of Iowans like you that I'm proud to represent our great state.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 60th year together, wishing them many more. I know my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RANDY HULTGREN

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. HULTGREN. Mr. Speaker, on roll call no. 194, I was unavoidably detained during the roll call vote. Had I been present, I would have voted "Aye."

PAYING TRIBUTE TO DR. EUGENE B. HABECKER FOR HIS 11 YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE AS PRESIDENT OF TAYLOR UNIVERSITY

HON. SUSAN W. BROOKS

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Eugene Habecker on the occasion of his retirement. For the past eleven years Dr. Habecker has devoted his life to providing an exceptional educational experience to the students of Taylor University. The people of Indiana's Fifth Congressional District are forever grateful for Dr. Habecker's dedication to the education of our country's future leaders.

Dr. Habecker demonstrated a lifetime passion for education, including his own. Before becoming the 30th President of Taylor University in 2005, he received a number of degrees. He is a proud Taylor University alumnus, receiving his bachelor's degree from Taylor University in 1968. He then went on to earn a master's degree from Ball State University in 1969, Ph.D. from the University of Michigan in 1981, J.D. from Temple University in 1974, a certificate from Harvard University in 1986, and several honorary degrees from numerous colleges and universities.

After earning an impressive number of degrees, he continued pursuing his passion for education. He held executive leadership positions at several educational institutions including George Fox University in Newberg, OR and Eastern University in St. Davids, PA. He served as President of Huntington College in Huntington, IN from 1981–1991, and was President and CEO of the American Bible Society from 1991–2005 before he returned to his alma mater to serve as President of Taylor University.

Taylor University, located in Upland, IN, was founded in 1846, making it one of the oldest evangelical Christian colleges in America. Throughout his tenure as President of Taylor University, Dr. Habecker has been instrumental in ensuring that Taylor's strong history as a university continued to flourish and grow. Under his leadership, Taylor University has been ranked the number one Midwest University in the category "Best Regional Colleges" by US News & World Report for nine years

straight (2007 through 2016). He is also credited with raising \$180 million for operating, endowment, and capital projects. The funds raised have gone to many projects that have enhanced student life such as campus beautification projects, construction of new living centers, major upgrades to athletic facilities, and the establishment of international centers and a highly successful study abroad program. He also brings a group of students to the National Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C. each year, recognizing the importance of young Christians participating in this historic annual breakfast designed to serve as a forum for political, social, and business leaders to create a dialogue and build relationships.

His wife, Marylou, who is also a 1968 graduate of Taylor, has been influential as well with her diverse and extensive work in campus ministries. Marylou and Dr. Habecker have a clear passion for education and love for Taylor University. The school is dedicated to living life together in a discipleship community, and Dr. Habecker and Marylou have been exceptional leaders in facilitating such an environment.

Due to his astounding leadership, Dr. Habecker was chosen to serve on several boards including the Christian Management Association, National Association of Evangelicals, and Council for Christian Colleges and Universities. Additionally, he was selected to serve on three international boards, most notably the United Bible Societies Global Board. Through his work with the United Bible Societies Global Board and through Taylor University, Dr. Habecker and Marylou have traveled extensively, both nationally and globally. The primary focus of their travels has been promoting and educating others on how to be a successful leader in Christian education.

Dr. Habecker's astonishing commitment to higher education in Indiana and success as a leader has not gone unnoticed. He was awarded the Christian Management Award from the Christian Management Association (1989), Distinguished Alumni Citation from Huntington College (1989), Life Enrichment Award from the Charles Drew University of Medicine and Science (1996), Layperson of the Year Award from the National Association of Evangelicals (1999), and finally, his own Taylor University selected him as the 1998 Distinguished Alumnus for Professional Achievement.

Dr. Habecker made a remarkable impression on the lives of his students, faculty, and the Taylor University community. He and Marylou have left a legacy of success at Taylor that will be built upon for decades to come. On behalf of Indiana's Fifth Congressional District, I'd like to congratulate Dr. Habecker on his noteworthy career and extend a huge thank you for all the wonderful contributions he has made to the Hoosier community. I wish the very best to Dr. Habecker, Marylou, their three children, and seven grandchildren as he enjoys a well-deserved retirement.

HONORING SARAH CONROY ON BEING ACCEPTED BY THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF FUTURE PHYSICIANS AND MEDICAL SCIENTISTS AS A DELEGATE TO THE CONGRESS OF FUTURE MEDICAL LEADERS

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Sarah Conroy, of Ozark, Missouri, who has been accepted by the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists as a delegate to the Congress of Future Medical Leaders.

The Congress of Future Medical Leaders is an honors-only program that is designed to motivate and direct the top students in the United States. It is specifically for students who aspire to be physicians or enter into the field of medical research, and helps to provide a path and mentorship for students to accomplish those dreams. It takes place at the University of Massachusetts over 3 days, and helps to spark meaningful dialogues and exchanges of ideas between future leaders in the medical field.

To be considered for acceptance as a delegate, applicants must be recommended by either a teacher or member of the Academy based on a proven track record of academic excellence. Students must have a minimum of a 3.5 GPA and represent all 50 states and Puerto Rico. It is an incredibly selective opportunity, and those students who qualify for selection have done so because of their hard work and diligence to their studies, not to mention their impressive intellect.

Mr. Speaker, Sarah Conroy, who attends Ozark High School, has shown a true passion for anatomy, biology and health science. Moreover, Sarah has excelled in her academics and will no doubt make Missouri proud as one of our delegates. I would like to extend my personal congratulations for her achievement, and on behalf of the 7th District of Missouri, I would like to thank her for representing our district.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LUIS V. GUTIÉRREZ

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. GUTIÉRREZ. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably absent in the House chamber for votes on Monday, May 16, 2016. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on roll call votes 194 and 195.

HONORING BOXING BEAR BREWING COMPANY

HON. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor

Boxing Bear Brewing on their victory at the 2016 World Beer Cup awards.

The Brewers Association hosts the World Beer Cup every two years, a competition which features over 200 judges for over 90 categories of beer. Large and small breweries throughout the globe enter this prestigious event.

I am honored to know that Albuquerque, New Mexico's very own Boxing Bear Brewing received the Gold in the Sweet Stout of Cream Stout category, for their Chocolate Milk Stout, out of a total of 63 entries from around the world.

Boxing Bear Brewing was founded along the sandy banks of the Rio Grande River in northwest Albuquerque. Since opening, they have expanded rapidly in New Mexico with an outstanding selection of beer. After their victory at the World Beer Cup, head brewer and co-owner Justin Hamilton said, "To win for a stout in a category with great breweries including Irish and American breweries just really solidified the fact that we have a presence not only locally, but nationally and now around the world."

As a small locally owned manufacturing and service business Boxing Bear Brewing represents the prosperity of a burgeoning local craft beer industry in New Mexico. Boxing Bear Brewing is a testament to the contributions small businesses make to our country and communities and the idea that with hard work and dedication nothing is unattainable.

To this day lawyers, government officials, business leaders, political icons, artists and students continue to enjoy exquisite beers in Boxing Bear Brewing's friendly atmosphere. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this moment to recognize Boxing Bear Brewing for their accomplishments in the 2016 World Beer Cup competition and commitment to our community at large. I am proud to know that we have a great business located in the First Congressional District of New Mexico.

TRIBUTE TO MARTY RIEKEN

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Marty Rieken of Oakland, Iowa, as he ends his term as President of the Iowa Funeral Directors Association (IFDA).

Marty has a long history of service within the field. He graduated from the Worsham College of Mortuary Science and became an apprentice at the Sellerger Lindell DeMarce Funeral Home in Red Oak, Iowa. Shortly after leaving his apprenticeship, Marty was hired as the Funeral Director of the Kessler Funeral Home in Audubon, Iowa. After years of hard work and dedication Marty now owns the Rieken Vieth Funeral Home in Oakland, Iowa and the Duhn Funeral Home in Griswold, Iowa. In addition to helping Iowa's families through their times of need, he has also been an active member of and tireless advocate for the Iowa Funeral Directors Association.

Marty's service to the Iowa Funeral Directors Association (IFDA) began in 2010 as the District 4 Governor, and then became the Secretary-Treasurer in 2013. In 2014, Marty

served as President-Elect and was installed as President in 2015. Under Marty's leadership, the IFDA has seen unprecedented development and growth. He also implemented the IFDA's five year strategic plan and his guidance to the IFDA Board of Governors has helped to promote and support funeral service excellence.

Mr. Speaker, I commend Marty for his dedication and honorable service to Iowa families and the IFDA. It is an honor to represent him in the United States Congress. I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in congratulating Marty for his outstanding leadership and in wishing him nothing but continued success.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RICHARD M. NOLAN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. NOLAN. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained for voting on Monday, May 16th. Had I been present and voting, I would have voted accordingly: Aye on Roll Call Vote Number 194 (Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 4743—National Cybersecurity Preparedness Consortium Act of 2016); and Aye on Roll Call Number 195 (Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 4407—Counterterrorism Advisory Board Act of 2016).

PRESIDENT OBAMA'S POLICIES HURT THE ECONOMY

HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, in a recent interview President Obama claimed that unemployment and deficits were down and GDP was on the rise. Contrary to his claims, Americans know the facts and are well aware of his failed economic agenda.

Americans understand that the labor participation rate is at an historic low. Only 62 percent of Americans are employed or are seeking employment. One way to bring down unemployment is to create jobs. The other is to drive people out of the job market, which is what the president's policies have done.

Americans also realize that the national debt has nearly doubled under the Obama presidency and will exceed \$20 trillion before he leaves office. This continued out-of-control spending has given us slow economic growth and stagnant wages.

American families know the facts about the president's failed economic policies.

REGARDING THE DUI REPORTING ACT

HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of the DUI Reporting Act, a bill I intro-

duced today with my Judiciary Committee colleague STEVE CHABOT.

If enacted, it would plug a glaring hole in our nation's drunk driving laws that inadvertently enables repeat offenders to be tried as first time offenders.

Currently, when police make a drunk driving arrest, they don't always have access to information about all of the driver's previous arrests for driving under the influence.

The reason is because not all police report DUI arrests to the National Crime Information Center, or "NCIC" for short, which is the national crime database that is made instantly available to police right from their patrol cars.

The consequences of this lack of reporting can prove tragic. Just last year there was a terrible accident in northern Mississippi, just outside of my Congressional District. Two teenagers were killed when the car they were driving was struck by a drunk driver who had accrued seven DUI charges since 2008 and had been allowed to plead guilty five times to a first-offense DUI.

The reason, according to a local investigation, was that none of the driver's DUI history had been reported to the NCIC.

When the highway patrol ran his driving record in the national database, his past DUI convictions never showed up.

This is shameful. This information should be reported so police can access it and get drunk drivers off the road.

Our bill would make that happen, by creating a financial incentive for states to require DUI arrests to be reported to the NCIC.

This bipartisan bill will save lives, and I urge my colleagues to help pass it quickly.

HONORING RYAN DIRKSEN ON BEING ACCEPTED BY THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF FUTURE PHYSICIANS AND MEDICAL SCI- ENTISTS AS A DELEGATE TO THE CONGRESS OF FUTURE MEDICAL LEADERS

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Ryan Dirksen, of Springfield, Missouri, who has been accepted by the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists as a delegate to the Congress of Future Medical Leaders.

The Congress of Future Medical Leaders is an honors-only program that is designed to motivate and direct the top students in the United States. It is specifically for students who aspire to be physicians or enter into the field of medical research, and helps to provide a path and mentorship for students to accomplish those dreams. It takes place at the University of Massachusetts over 3 days, and helps to spark meaningful dialogues and exchanges of ideas between future leaders in the medical field.

To be considered for acceptance as a delegate, applicants must be recommended by either a teacher or member of the Academy based on a proven track record of academic excellence. Students must have a minimum of a 3.5 GPA and represent all 50 states and Puerto Rico. It is an incredibly selective opportunity, and those students who qualify for selection have done so because of their hard

work and diligence to their studies, not to mention their impressive intellect.

Mr. Speaker, Ryan Dirksen, who attends Springfield Catholic High School, has shown a level of dedication and aptitude for the health sciences that will leave him well prepared to represent Missouri at this Congress. I would like to extend my personal congratulations for his achievement, and on behalf of the 7th District of Missouri, I would like to thank him for representing our district.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LOUISE McINTOSH SLAUGHTER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained and missed Roll Call vote numbers 194 and 195. Had I been present, I would have voted aye on both.

TRIBUTE TO PATTY AND ELVIN SHAFAR

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Patty and Elvin Shafar on the very special occasion of their 70th wedding anniversary.

Elvin and Patty were married on May 13, 1946 and made their home in Bedford, Iowa. Their lifelong commitment to each other embodies Iowa's values. As the years pass, may their marriage continue to grow even stronger and may they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many more years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this lovely couple on their 70 years of life together and I heartily wish them many more. I know my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, May 16, 2016, I was absent and missed the day's votes. Had I been present, I would have voted "Yea," on both Roll Call No. 194 and Roll Call No. 195.

HONORING LA CUMBRE BREWING

HON. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor La Cumbre Brewing on their outstanding accom-

plishment during the 2016 World Beer Cup awards.

The Brewers Association hosts the World Beer Cup every two years, a competition which features over 200 judges for over 90 categories of beer. Large and small breweries throughout the globe enter this prestigious event.

I am honored to know that Albuquerque, New Mexico's very own La Cumbre Brewing received the Gold in the International Style Lager category, for their High Plains Pils, out of a total of 103 entries from around the world. La Cumbre Brewing President and Master Brewer, Jeff Erway explained that his company has been working on the recipe for this exquisite beer for the past three years.

La Cumbre Brewing was founded in Albuquerque in 2010 by Jeff and Laura Erway. Initially, the company had only three, 15 barrel fermenters and five part time employees. However, in the past five years they have expanded rapidly throughout New Mexico and the country. Today annual production exceeds 11,000 barrels of beer and La Cumbre Brewing employs a team of 35 people.

As a small locally owned manufacturing and service business La Cumbre Brewing represents the prosperity of a burgeoning local craft beer industry in New Mexico. La Cumbre Brewing is a testament to the contributions small businesses make to our country and communities and the idea that with hard work and dedication nothing is unattainable.

To this day lawyers, government officials, business leaders, political icons, artists and students continue to enjoy exquisite beers in La Cumbre Brewing's friendly atmosphere. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this moment to recognize La Cumbre Brewing for their accomplishments in the 2016 World Beer Cup competition and commitment to our community at large. I am proud to know that we have a great business located in the First Congressional District of New Mexico.

CELEBRATING THE RETIREMENT OF DONALD RAY HILL

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the retirement of Donald Ray Hill of Taylor, Texas. A pillar of this bustling community nestled in the heart of my congressional district, Don's extraordinary commitment to service to his beloved home town reflects the best values of Central Texas.

Some people live an entire lifetime and wonder if they have made a difference in the world. Don Hill doesn't have that problem. From his service in the Marine Corps to his role as Mayor of the City of Taylor to serving as Steward at Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church for over 37 years to countless other endeavors, Don has led a life of devotion to his community.

Don was of service to all citizens. He worked tirelessly to feed the hungry, take care of the aged, and educate the young. The efforts of involved citizens like Don bring a community together and make residents proud to call Taylor home.

Retirement is to be celebrated and enjoyed. It is not the end of a career, but rather the be-

ginning of a new adventure. I heartily salute Don Hill's work and contributions to his community. I wish him all the best as he begins his richly deserved retirement.

HONORING JOHN CRUMPTON ON BEING ACCEPTED BY THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF FUTURE PHYSICIANS AND MEDICAL SCIENTISTS AS A DELEGATE TO THE CONGRESS OF FUTURE MEDICAL LEADERS

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor John Crumpton, of Branson, Missouri, who has been accepted by the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists as a delegate to the Congress of Future Medical Leaders.

The Congress of Future Medical Leaders is an honors-only program that is designed to motivate and direct the top students in the United States. It is specifically for students who aspire to be physicians or enter into the field of medical research, and helps to provide a path and mentorship for students to accomplish those dreams. It takes place at the University of Massachusetts over 3 days, and helps to spark meaningful dialogues and exchanges of ideas between future leaders in the medical field.

To be considered for acceptance as a delegate, applicants must be recommended by either a teacher or member of the Academy based on a proven track record of academic excellence. Students must have a minimum of a 3.5 GPA, and represent all 50 states and Puerto Rico. It is an incredibly selective opportunity, and those students who qualify for selection have done so because of their hard work and diligence to their studies, not to mention their impressive intellect.

Mr. Speaker, John Crumpton, who attends Branson High School, has shown a level of excellence in academics and passion for science that leaves me fully confident that he will represent Missouri well at this Congress. I would like to extend my personal congratulations for his achievement, and on behalf of the 7th District of Missouri, I would like to thank him for representing our district.

TRIBUTE TO TYRA PENTON

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Tyra Penton, of Bedford, Iowa for being selected for the 2016 Upward Bound Math and Science Program Hall of Fame Award.

The Northwest Missouri State University TRiO program created this Hall of Fame award to honor outstanding TRiO participants and to showcase the array of students within TRiO Programs. The TRiO Programs are federally-funded programs dedicated to helping first generation, low-income students succeed

in their precollege performance and ultimately in their higher education pursuits. Ms. Penton has shown the spirit, commitment and leadership necessary to be an outstanding award winner. She gives back to her community and maintains academic excellence. Tyra is the first recipient to be inducted into the Northwest TriO Hall of Fame.

Mr. Speaker, the example set by Tyra demonstrates the rewards of harnessing one's talents and sharing them with the world. Her efforts embody the Iowa spirit and I am honored to represent her, and Iowans like her, in the United States Congress. I know that all of my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating Ms. Tyra Penton for her achievements and in wishing her nothing but continued success.

COMMEMORATING THE LIFE OF
WILLIAM HARVEY PRITCHETT

HON. ROBERT HURT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. HURT of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I submit these remarks to commemorate the life of William Harvey Pritchett of Pittsylvania County, Virginia, who passed away May 7, 2016 at age 88.

Mr. Pritchett was a man who believed in service to God, family, community and country. He was a faithful member of Bethel Baptist Church where he taught Sunday School and served as Sunday School Superintendent. Mr. Pritchett also served as a Deacon, a Trustee, Choir, and Chorus Member and in various other committee and leadership capacities both inside and outside of the church.

Mr. Pritchett, a native of Danville, graduated from Langston High School, attended Danville Community College, and earned his associate's degree in business from Christian Brothers College in Memphis, Tennessee. He also served our country for two years in the United States Army during World War II. Mr. Pritchett retired as a District Manager for Universal Life Insurance Company, where he worked for twenty five years.

Mr. Pritchett was the first African-American to serve on the Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors and was a man who inspired many others to public service. He held the Banister District Supervisor seat for 20 years—first elected in 1991 and serving five terms before retiring in 2011. Mr. Pritchett also served six years as Vice Chairman and chaired the Board of Supervisors in 1996.

Mr. Pritchett was a strong advocate for education and establishing a local recreation department in Pittsylvania County; he served as president of the Dan River-Blairs Civic League, served on the Pittsylvania County Social Services board, served as the President of the Chief Elected Officials of the Workforce Investment Act, and Chaired the Dan River Business Development Center Board.

Mr. Pritchett is fondly remembered by all of his compatriots, including his successor, Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors Chairman Jessie Barksdale, who stated, "It was very obvious to me that Mr. Pritchett just had a passion to help other people [. . .] If not for Mr. Pritchett, I am positive I would not have run for office of any kind."

On the occasion of the passing of William Harvey Pritchett, I ask that the Members of this House of Representatives join with me and the entire Pritchett family including his wife of 63 years, Lillie G. Pritchett, son Cedric Pritchett, brother Nelson Pritchett, and the community of Pittsylvania County, Virginia in honoring the memory of a great leader.

MONROE SHOCKS AND STRUTS
100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. TIM WALBERG

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. WALBERG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the 100th anniversary of Monroe Shocks and Struts—founded in Monroe, Michigan.

In 1916, a humble mechanic and inventor, August F. Meyer, established Brisk Blast Manufacturing Company as a solution to combat frequent flat tires.

Under the leadership of Mr. Meyer, Brisk Blast quickly became a leading producer of tire pumps.

Two years later, Mr. Meyer partnered with Charles McIntyre, and the growing enterprise became Monroe Auto Equipment Company. The business soon perfected the first self-oiled, single-barreled tire pump, which increased sales to over two million a year.

In 1926, the first Monroe shock eliminator was introduced and quickly became one of the best known shock absorbers in the world, used by the majority of American automobile makers through the 1950s.

The emergent company soon became a world leader, as Monroe expanded internationally to Europe in 1964, Japan, Australia, and Mexico in 1972, and South America in 1974. Monroe was then purchased by global manufacturer Tenneco Inc. in 1977 and developed into the leading supplier to North American, Asian and European vehicle manufacturers.

Today, Monroe has cemented itself as the global leader in ride control, having introduced products such as Sensa-Trac, Reflex, and the popular Quick-Strut units.

Most notably, the innovative company still engineers and manufactures its products in North America, maintaining its global leadership as a domestic manufacturer. By partnering with a talented and highly committed workforce, Monroe is the predominant brand of vehicle "ride control" products.

I offer my best wishes to my constituents and friends at Monroe Shocks and Struts as they continue to provide motorists across the globe with safety and control.

HONORING MARBLE BREWERY

HON. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Marble Brewery on their impressive showing during the 2016 World Beer Cup awards.

The Brewers Association hosts the World Beer Cup every two years, a competition

which features over 200 judges for over 90 categories of beer. Large and small breweries throughout the globe enter this prestigious event.

Two years ago I had the privilege of honoring Marble Brewery for their first place finish out of 59 entries in the Kellerbier or Zwickelbier category. I am honored to be able to recognize Marble Brewery again for winning Bronze in the same category at this year's competition. Indeed, Marble Brewery beat out 67 other entries from around the world with their outstanding pilsner.

Marble Brewery was founded in Albuquerque in 2008 by Tim Rice, Jeff Jinnett, and John Gozigan. Since opening, they have expanded rapidly in New Mexico with an exceptional selection of beer. Today Marble Brewery's beers are already staples in restaurants and bars throughout our state, as well as in Colorado, and parts of Arizona.

Marble Brewery is a manifestation of the power of local businesses to provide jobs and services to our community. Mr. Speaker, the First Congressional District of New Mexico is lucky to have such a wonderful and world class brewery in downtown Albuquerque. I wish Marble Brewery years of continued success and look forward to hearing about their future achievements.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO DANIEL F.
EVANS, JR. FOR HIS 13 YEARS
OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE AS
PRESIDENT OF IU HEALTH

HON. SUSAN W. BROOKS

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dan Evans, Jr. on the occasion of his retirement. Since 2002, Dan has served as the President and CEO of IU Health. In his 13 years as the system's President and CEO, Dan has overseen the expansion of the IU Health system from three hospitals in downtown Indianapolis to a unified statewide health system of nearly 20 hospitals and health centers that treat more than 2.5 million patients a year. The people of Indiana's Fifth Congressional District are forever grateful for Dan's commitment and dedication to the health of all Hoosiers.

Dan has a long history of devoting his time to bettering the lives of Hoosiers. Before entering the healthcare field, he received his J.D. in 1976 from the Indiana University School of Law. After receiving his degree, Dan worked as an attorney for Baker & Daniels LLP, now known as FaegreBD, in Indianapolis. In November 2002, he started the beginning of an incredibly successful career as President of Indiana University Health. Since then, Dan has shown exceptional leadership and has played an integral role in transforming IU Health into the outstanding health system it is today.

Throughout his tenure leading IU Health, Dan was instrumental in ensuring the hospital's continued growth and success. IU Health has long been a strong hospital system, but under Dan's leadership IU Health has grown into one of the leading hospitals in the state and nation. IU Health has consistently been included in the notable U.S. News & World Report's annual "Best Hospitals

Ranking” as the number one hospital in the state of Indiana. He made significant additions to IU Health including the opening of the world-class IU Health Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center, the IU Health Neuroscience Center, and the Riley Hospital for Children Simon Family Tower. He also played an active role in the recently announced plan for a regional academic health campus in Bloomington, which will focus on advanced research into producing innovative treatments. Additionally, he helped secure a \$1 billion investment for a new adult academic health center in downtown Indianapolis.

Dan is well-known for his advocacy work at both the state and federal levels, taking time to speak with legislators about wellness programs, high-quality and accessible healthcare, the Healthy Indiana Plan, and the Graduate Medical Education program. His commitment to serving the healthcare needs of the low-income and underserved communities resulted in IU Health contributing more than \$5.8 billion in community benefit and investment during his thirteen years at IU Health. He has also displayed continued dedication to his relationship with the United Methodist Church by facilitating the addition of United Methodist leaders to the hospital boards throughout the IU health system.

As a well-known leader in the healthcare sector, Dan has been selected to serve on a variety of prestigious community, academic, and healthcare related boards and committees, including the Indiana Health Information Exchange, the University HealthSystem Consortium, Central Indiana Corporate Partnership, the Indianapolis and Indiana Chambers of Commerce as well as the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Additionally, he serves as chairman of the Indiana Hospital Association and is a member of the bars of Indiana, the Seventh Circuit, and the U.S. Supreme Court.

Dan’s commitment to the highest standard of care and success as a leader has not gone unnoticed; he has received numerous accolades throughout his years in the healthcare industry. Most recently, Dan was awarded the 2015 Indiana Hospital Association’s Distinguished Service Award for his exceptional leadership and devotion to his organization.

Dan leaves behind a strong legacy at IU Health and big shoes to fill. I am thrilled to hear he plans to remain active in the Indianapolis community and will have more time to partake in his favorite hobby, golf. On behalf of Indiana’s Fifth Congressional District, I’d like to congratulate Dan on his remarkable career and extend a huge thank you for all of the wonderful contributions he has made to IU Health and the Hoosier community. I wish the very best to Dan, his wife, Marilyn, and their 4 children as he enjoys a well-deserved retirement.

HONORING WYATT BOWEN ON BEING ACCEPTED BY THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF FUTURE PHYSICIANS AND MEDICAL SCIENTISTS AS A DELEGATE TO THE CONGRESS OF FUTURE MEDICAL LEADERS

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Wyatt Bowen, of Pierce City, Missouri, who has been accepted by the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists as a delegate to the Congress of Future Medical Leaders.

The Congress of Future Medical Leaders is an honors-only program that is designed to motivate and direct the top students in the United States. It is specifically for students who aspire to be physicians or enter into the field of medical research, and helps to provide a path and mentorship for students to accomplish those dreams. It takes place at the University of Massachusetts over 3 days, and helps to spark meaningful dialogues and exchanges of ideas between future leaders in the medical field.

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Mr. Speaker, Wyatt Bowen, who attends Pierce City High School, has dedicated himself to his studies and exhibited a passion for health and medical studies, and will soon be representing the future of the state of Missouri at this conference. I would like to extend my personal congratulations for his achievement, and on behalf of the 7th District of Missouri, I would like to thank him for his representation of our district.

TRIBUTE TO JOYCE AND HAROLD ROCHHOLZ

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Joyce and Harold Rochholz on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary.

Joyce and Harold were married on May 16, 1956, residing in Casey, Iowa. They are the proud parents of three children, Kathy, Kristy and Jeff. They also have eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Harold and Joyce’s lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa’s values. I salute this lovely couple on their 60 years of life together and I wish them many more. As the years pass, may their marriage continue to strengthen and may they continue to love, cherish, and honor one an-

other. I know my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

IN HONOR OF EASTER SEALS CAMP ASCCA’S 40TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the House’s attention to recognize the 40th Anniversary of the Easter Seals Camp ASCCA—Alabama’s Special Camp for Children and Adults.

The mission of Camp ASCCA is to help eligible children and adults with disabilities and/or health impairments achieve equality, dignity and maximum independence through the camp experience including therapeutic recreation and education.

The camp provides a safe and supportive environment for its campers and encourages each of them to meet and overcome new challenges.

Camp ASCCA has been providing this camping and outdoor recreation experience since 1976 and is the only program of its kind in the great State of Alabama.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the 40th Anniversary of Easter Seals Camp ASCCA and thanking them for their service to these deserving individuals.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 20, 2009, the day President Obama took office, the national debt was \$10,626,877,048,913.08.

Today, it is \$19,199,894,125,074.04. We’ve added \$8,573,017,076,160.96 to our debt in 7 years. This is over \$7.5 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ERIC SWALWELL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. SWALWELL of California. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to be present for votes taken yesterday, Monday, May 16, due to a family health emergency. Had I been present, I would have voted as follows:

Roll Call Vote Number 194 (Passage of H.R. 4743, the National Cybersecurity Preparedness Consortium Act of 2016): Yes.

Roll Call Vote Number 195 (Passage of H.R. 4407, the Counterterrorism Advisory Board Act of 2016): Yes.

TRIBUTE TO JOAN WASKE

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Mrs. Joan Waske for being named the Lady Star of the Year in Afton, Iowa.

Joan is an active mother, grandmother and community member. She plays the organ at St. Edward Catholic Church, volunteers at the Afton Care Center and participates with senior activities at the local community center. She also co-owned and managed a farm with her husband Joe, while raising eleven children. Joan cooked, sewed, wrote poetry and made certain that music was always in their home.

Mr. Speaker, Joan Waske is an Iowan who has served her family, her church and her community with dignity and determination. It is with great honor that I recognize her today. I ask that my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives join me in congratulating Joan Waske for this award and in wishing her continued health and happiness.

RECOGNIZING THE 2016 FINALISTS
SELECTED IN THE 24TH CON-
GRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF
TEXAS ART COMPETITION

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. MARCHANT. Mr. Speaker, I am privileged to recognize the following high school students from the 24th Congressional District of Texas who were selected as finalists from this year's entries in the Congressional Art Competition:

Lindsay Arnolds, "Umbrella Summer"; Eunice Choe, "Traditional"; Erin Crumpler, "Birds of Coppel: Finch/Hawk/Robin"; Nicole Crumpler, "Orchids/Frodo/Japanese Water Gardens"; Sabrina Del Rosario, "Mr. Horn"; Paloma Diaz, "Texas Born and Raised"; Kiana Fernandez, "Somewhere Else in Blue"; Katie Gibbs, "Pieces of My Heart"; Morgan Glover, "Texas Skies"; Grant Gosser, "America's Spirit"; Hannah Gosser, "Grant Playing Pool"; Megha Goyal, "Hope"; Hannah Javens, "Let Them Drown"; Habesh Kisanga, "Collisions"; Gabriel Ko, "Matilda Taking Me around Dallas"; Ethan Lee, "Still Life of Canteen and Lantern"; Mahir Morar, "Drumlines/Slight of Hand"; Jeongho Park, "The Bucking Horse"; Kate Sheedy, "Nausea"; Morgan Sickman, "Summer Spirit/Collage"; Kate Snow, "Road Home"; Sarah Verheul, "Sarah's Bike"; Alexandra Wilson, "Two Tulips"; Katherine Yut, "Poised for Flight/Independence Day".

The art competition was represented by a variety of high schools in the 24th District, and I am honored at this time to acknowledge the participating schools and the students' art teachers:

Summer Neimann & Eric Horn, Carroll Senior High School; Holly Hendrix, Carrollton Christian Academy; Tamera Westervelt, Coppell High School; Kinzie Harvell, Colleyville Covenant Christian; Bob Thomas, Creekview High School; Kathryn Borum, The

Highlands School; Beka Johnson, Parish Episcopal School; Brenda Robson, Prestonwood Christian Academy; Steve Ko, Steve Ko Art Studio; Beth Ritter-Perry, Townview Magnet School; Sue Traver, Trinity High School; Sharice Williams, Uplift North Hills Preparatory.

Mr. Speaker, I ask all my distinguished colleagues to join me in congratulating these exceptional high school artists on becoming finalists in the 24th Congressional District of Texas Art Competition.

HONORING NEXUS BREWERY

HON. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Nexus Brewery on their triumph during the 2016 World Beer Cup awards.

The Brewers Association hosts the World Beer Cup every two years, a competition which features over 200 judges for over 90 categories of beer. Large and small breweries throughout the globe enter this prestigious event.

I am honored to know that Albuquerque, New Mexico's very own Nexus Brewery received the Gold in the Honey Beer category, for their Honey Chamomile Wheat, out of a total of 55 entries from around the world. Nexus head brewer, Kaylynn McNight explained, "I'm also very proud of it because it's my own recipe. It's one of the first seasonal beers that I made here that turned into a house beer."

As a small locally owned manufacturing and service business, Nexus Brewery represents the prosperity of a burgeoning local craft beer industry in New Mexico. Nexus Brewery is a testament to the contributions small businesses make to our country and communities and the idea that with hard work and dedication nothing is unattainable.

To this day lawyers, government officials, business leaders, political icons, artists and students continue to enjoy exquisite beers in Nexus' friendly atmosphere. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this moment to recognize Nexus Brewery for their accomplishments in the 2016 World Beer Cup competition and commitment to our community at large. I am proud to know that we have a great business located in the First Congressional District of New Mexico.

TRIBUTE TO BARB AND LARRY RILEY

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Larry and Barb Riley for being recognized with a Lifetime Leadership Award. They received this award as Main Street Iowa celebrated 30 years of commitment to downtown and commercial district revitalization.

Barb and Larry Riley received this award which recognized "inspirational leadership and

volunteers who have made significant contributions to the local Main Street Programs' mission." The Rileys work hard to make Greenfield, Iowa a great place to live and work. They volunteer with numerous organizations and with the school district as well as help with community clean-up programs.

Mr. Speaker, Barb and Larry Riley are Iowans who have served their community of Greenfield, Iowa. It is with great honor that I recognize them today. I ask that my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives join me in congratulating Barb and Larry Riley for receiving the Lifetime Leadership Award and wish them continued health and happiness.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RANDY HULTGREN

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. HULTGREN. Mr. Speaker, on roll call no. 195, I was unavoidably detained during the roll call vote. Had I been present, I would have voted "Aye."

RECOGNIZING E. ROBERT GOODKIND

HON. NITA M. LOWEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize my constituent and friend, E. Robert Goodkind, of Rye, New York, for his more than 60 years of service to the American Jewish community and in particular for his visionary leadership of the American Jewish Committee.

Mr. Goodkind grew up in Lawrence, New York and attended Woodmere Academy, where he developed an interest in government and international relations. As an undergraduate at Princeton University, Bob also nourished a commitment to Jewish values and the State of Israel. He graduated from Harvard Law School and led a successful career in private practice, crafting an expertise in corporate law, trusts and estates, and charitable organizations law.

After marrying Barbara, his devoted wife, and raising three children, Bob increased his involvement with Jewish civic and cultural life, by joining the American Jewish Committee, where he quickly assumed a leadership role in mobilizing action in support of human rights, promoting interfaith dialogue, and advancing universal standards of decency.

In the 1990's, Bob spearheaded the formation of the Jewish Foundation for Christian Rescuers, to provide financial support to aged and needy righteous gentiles, who had rescued Jews during the Holocaust.

From 2004 to 2007, Bob served as National President of the American Jewish Committee, during which time he traveled the world on behalf of the AJC, engaging with leaders and speaking out against human rights violations, intolerance, and injustice. He was also a passionate advocate for Israel in the halls of the United States Congress.

On both the local and national level, Bob has worked to strengthen mutual understanding and relations between Jews and African Americans, both of whose histories have been shaped by oppression and bigotry.

Throughout his life, Bob Goodkind has personified the core Jewish value of Tikkun Olam—the enduring charge to perfect the world.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me today in honoring his exceptional life of devotion to the causes of humanity, brotherhood, and the American Jewish community.

HONORING KELSIE ELLINGSWORTH
ON BEING ACCEPTED BY THE
NATIONAL ACADEMY OF FUTURE
PHYSICIANS AND MEDICAL SCI-
ENTISTS AS A DELEGATE TO
THE CONGRESS OF FUTURE
MEDICAL LEADERS

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Clever High School student Kelsie Ellingsworth, of Clever, Missouri, on her being accepted as a delegate to the Congress of Future Medical Leaders by the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists.

The Congress of Future Medical Leaders is an honors-only program that is designed to motivate and direct the top students in the United States. Specifically, it's designed for students aspiring to become physicians or medical researchers, and provides a path and mentorship for students to accomplish their goals.

To be considered for acceptance as a delegate, applicants are either recommended by a teacher or member of the Academy based on a proven track record of academic excellence. Delegates represent all 50 states plus Puerto Rico, and must have a minimum 3.5 GPA. Students like Ellingsworth who qualify for this incredibly selective honor exemplify top-tier diligence and academic talent.

Mr. Speaker, Kelsie Ellingsworth has not only excelled in her academics, but has shown a passion for science and medicine that will serve her future aspirations well. I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating her for this achievement. On behalf of Missouri's Seventh Congressional District, I wish Kelsie the best of luck in all her future endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO DEBBIE AND DALE
MENNING

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Debbie and Dale Menning for being recognized with a Lifetime Leadership Award. They received this award as Main Street Iowa celebrated 30 years of commitment to downtown and commercial district revitalization.

Debbie and Dale Menning received this award which recognized "inspirational leader-

ship and volunteers who have made significant contributions to the local Main Street Programs' mission." The Mennings assisted with Guthrie Center, Iowa's initial application to become a Main Street community. They are heavily involved with Main Street Iowa committees and the work that is involved in making this Main Street Iowa community successful.

Mr. Speaker, Debbie and Dale Menning are Iowans who have served their community of Guthrie Center, Iowa. It is with great honor that I recognize them today. I ask that my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives join me in honoring the Mennings for receiving the Lifetime Leadership Award and wish them continued health and happiness.

HONORING ROBERT MAYERSOHN

HON. THEODORE E. DEUTCH

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. DEUTCH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Robert Mayersohn, who is being honored for receiving the "Champion of Students" award by Broward County Public Schools. This prestigious award is given to an outstanding individual who advocates for students on the occasion of Broward County Public Schools' 100th anniversary.

Mr. Mayersohn is a graduate of Syracuse University, and has a distinguished record of outstanding service to his community. He has protected the needs of students as an experienced education advocate, surrogate parent and guardian ad litem. Mr. Mayersohn is also a successful entrepreneur and small business owner. He has a long history of civic and community involvement. For nearly two decades, Mayersohn has fought on behalf of parents, teachers and students to improve the public schools of Broward County. He has served as the Chair of the Broward County School Parent ESE Advisory Council and is a current Executive Board Member of the Broward County Council of PTAs/PTSAs. His tireless work in support of local students is truly impressive and worthy of recognition.

Throughout his career in education and public service, Robert Mayersohn has shown himself to be an outstanding leader in his community. I am pleased to join the Broward County Public Schools in honoring Mr. Mayersohn for his ongoing commitment to excellence and distinguished service to our community.

HONORING SECOND STREET
BREWING

HON. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mrs. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Second Street Brewing on their tremendous success during the 2016 World Beer Cup awards.

The Brewers Association hosts the World Beer Cup every two years, a competition which features over 200 judges for over 90 categories of beer. Large and small breweries

throughout the globe enter this prestigious event.

I am honored to know that Albuquerque, New Mexico's very own Second Street Brewing received the Silver in the Imperial India Pale Ale category, for their Trebuchet Imperial India Pale Ale, out of a total of 181 entries from around the world. Second Street President and Brewmaster, Rod Tweet, explained, "It's well known that Imperial IPA is an extremely competitive category, and with 181 entries this year, it was the second largest in the contest. Our Brewing team is really proud of the award."

Second Street Brewing was founded in 1996 and today brews 60 unique styles of ales and lagers. As a small locally owned manufacturing and service business Second Street Brewing represents the prosperity of a burgeoning local craft beer industry in New Mexico. Second Street Brewing is a testament to the contributions small businesses make to our country and communities and the idea that with hard work and dedication nothing is unattainable.

To this day lawyers, government officials, business leaders, political icons, artists and students continue to enjoy exquisite beers in Second Street's friendly atmosphere. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this moment to recognize Second Street Brewing for their accomplishments in the 2016 World Beer Cup competition and commitment to our community at large. I am proud to know that we have a great business located in the First Congressional District of New Mexico.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. J. RANDY FORBES

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. FORBES. Mr. Speaker, due to the recent passing of my mother I was unable to cast my vote yesterday on two important pieces of legislation. Had I been in the chamber I would have voted YES on the Motion to Suspend the Rules and pass the National Cybersecurity Preparedness Consortium Act of 2016, H.R. 4743, and YES on the Motion to Suspend the Rules and pass the Counterterrorism Advisory Board Act of 2016, H.R. 4407.

CONGRATULATING THE MARION
HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' BASKET-
BALL TEAM ON THEIR EIGHTH
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE

HON. SUSAN W. BROOKS

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Marion High School Boys' Basketball team for winning the Indiana Boys' Basketball Class 3A State Championship. The Marion High School Giants, hailing from Marion in Grant County, defeated the Evansville Bosse Bulldogs in an historic game. This state title is a momentous win for the Giants, as it marks their 8th consecutive state championship title, which ties the record for most consecutive wins in Indiana boys' basketball history.

The Giants played in the spotlight of the IHSAA throughout this impressive season. Under the leadership of Head Coach James Blackmon, the team finished the season with a remarkable record of 23–7. Coach Blackmon, who is a Marion High School graduate and had an impressive basketball career himself, returned to Marion to coach the team in 2013. Coach Blackmon leads by example and inspires his players with his coaching and character. He works tirelessly to motivate, train, and push his team to dream big and reach their goals. As the daughter of a high school football coach, I understand the tireless dedication, time commitment, and personal sacrifices required to lead young athletes to victory, and I applaud Coach Blackmon’s dedication to excellence.

While their 8th consecutive state title is momentous on its own, what the Giants basketball team accomplished during the state championship was even more extraordinary than that. The Giants broke records for highest combined 3-point field goal percentage, most points scored in a quarter, scoring 31 points in the 3rd quarter alone, and most points in a half, scoring 48 points total in the second half. In addition to the Giants’ significant team accomplishments, individuals from the team were acknowledged for their outstanding contributions and accomplishments. Senior Reggie Jones tied the record for highest individual free-throw percentage, making 100 percent of his free throws during the state championship game. Reggie was also named the Chronicle-Tribune’s Boys Basketball Player of the Year, selected to be one of Hoosier Basketball Magazine’s Top 60 Senior Boys’ Basketball Players, and was chosen for the IBCA/Subway Senior All-State Team. Additionally, Reggie, along with senior teammate Vijay Blackmon and junior Tim Leavell were selected to play on the All-NCC 1st team.

Throughout the years, the Giants have demonstrated incredible dedication to their sport—putting in countless hours on the court and the weight room. They have been supported by their committed parents, coaches, and trainers. High school sports are a special experience. They teach discipline, build character, and allow young men and women to have an experience they will remember for a lifetime. This team exemplifies the wonderful attributes that high school sports teach, and I am proud to represent such a hardworking and highly regarded group of young men and coaches.

On behalf of Indiana’s 5th Congressional District, I’d like to extend huge congratulations to the Marion High School Boys’ Basketball Team. I look forward to cheering the team on through another great season next year and send my best wishes as the Giants work toward breaking the record for most consecutive wins. Go Giants.

HONORING THE PERMIAN BASIN
HONOR FLIGHT

HON. K. MICHAEL CONAWAY
OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. CONAWAY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the 90 Veterans from West Texas who will be visiting our Washington D.C. this week, sponsored by the Permian Basin Honor Flight.

On behalf of a grateful state and nation, we welcome these heroes to the nation’s capital.

The Veterans on this Honor Flight are: Richard Galloway, Darrell Sanders, Clinton Adams, Mike Barber, Jerry Pinkston, SFC Aaron Hernandez, Dennis Sever, Jimmy L. Fine, Benny B. Fine, Alejos Rios Lara, Ira E. Wilson, Larry J. Monroe, Helen A. Bird, Jackie Lee Voss, Gary Clayton Collinsworth, Charles R. Sessions, Jimmy G. George, James R. Priest, Lowell D. Wade Jr., Horace L. Bowden, Margaret Voisel Forster, Larry K. Bagley, Donald E. Gorden Jr., Domingo Carrizales, James Miller, Paul W. Janssen, David P. Brockman, Robert L. Neff, James H. Silvers, Robert S. Thames, Bobbie R. Kerrigan, Rolland L. Rose, Gary W. Ward, Roscoe C. Haynes, Leonard C. Martinez, Donald R. Price, Luis R. Lopez, Gene A. Roberts, Melvin M. Longwell Jr., James H. Shaw, Ricky A. Warnick, Curtis D. McClain, Billie G. Mathis, James F. Kemper, Billie Ray Norman, Willard C. Walker, Jerome J. Engler, Stephen L. McConnell, Dock R. Clark, David H. Box, John W. Calhoun, Garland D. Pearce, Charles R. McMillian, Thomas E. Minding, John Gutierrez Alderete, David A. Dixon, Robert L. Kasper, Warren J. Lange, James V. Yakshaw, Tom D. Dodd, William E. Halfmann, Donald E. McClure, Johnny A. Wright, Robert C. Schlagal, Steven D. Rea, Juan Tarin, David Madrid, John M. Williams, Ronnie M. Nunley, Richard Cotte, Mark D. Kator, Jimmie K. Matthews, Milton R. Williamson, James L. White, Robert L. Teters, Steven W. Wagner, Roberto Martinez, Michael G. Roquemore, Mark E. Webb, Harry A. Spannaus, James W. Huston, Michael D. Jackson, Kenneth D. Carte, Michael W. Griffis, John R. Hayes, Edward Comacho, and Duane Janssen.

Mr. Speaker, I am humbled to have the opportunity to meet these brave men and women who exemplify the best of our country. Their sacrifice and commitment to the duty to our nation can never be fully repaid, and I hope that when they visit our nation’s monuments in Washington D.C., the gratitude and respect we have for them will truly be reflected.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in thanking these veterans and their families for their exemplary dedication and service to this great nation. I would also like to extend a special thank you to the local communities, all of the volunteers, and Mr. John West and Ms. Teresa Galloway for their extensive work in organizing this Honor Flight. This trip would not have been possible without all the financial and emotional support of the people who have put in so much hard work and personal time to make sure this trip could be possible.

HONORING COLONEL DOUGLAS J.
SCHWARTZ

HON. TODD ROKITA

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. ROKITA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a great Hoosier and a highly decorated American Airman.

Colonel Douglas J. Schwartz of the United States Air Force, retired on May 14, 2016 from his post as Commander of the 434th Air Refueling Wing based at Grissom Air Reserve Base in Miami County, Indiana. The 434th Air

Refueling Wing is the largest KC–135R Stratotanker unit in the Air Force Reserve Command.

Colonel Schwartz received his commission through Officer Training School in 1981 as a graduate from Purdue University, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in management. He began pilot training at Williams Air Force Base in Arizona, and was assigned to the 325th Bomb Squadron at Fairchild Air Force Base in Washington state. He transferred to the Air Force Reserve in 1992, where he flew KC–135R Stratotankers with the 72nd Air Refueling Squadron at Grissom Air Reserve Base. Prior to taking command at Grissom, Colonel Schwartz served as commander of the 927th Air Refueling Wing based at MacDill Air Force Base in Florida.

Colonel Schwartz has numerous command and leadership assignments at the squadron, wing and numbered air force level including assistant chief pilot, chief of standardization and evaluation, operations officer, flight commander, detachment commander, group commander, vice commander, director of staff and wing commander. He is a command pilot with more than 4,200 flying hours and has deployed in support of Operations Joint Endeavor, Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom, amongst others.

I sincerely thank Colonel Schwartz for his amazing leadership at Grissom over the last two years and wish him many clear skies ahead.

TRIBUTE TO ELAINE AND VIRGIL
HILDEBRAND

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Elaine and Virgil Hildebrand of Hancock, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 70th wedding anniversary. They celebrated their anniversary on March 23, 2016. Virgil and Elaine reside on their farm in Hancock.

Virgil and Elaine’s lifelong commitment to each other and their children, Bill, Janice, Joyce, and the late JoAnn truly embodies Iowa values. As they reflect on their 70th anniversary, I know it is filled with happy memories and continued hope for their future years together.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 70th year together and I wish them many more years of happiness. I know my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

DR. JOHN THUSS

HON. MARK MEADOWS

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. John Thuss of Caldwell County, North Carolina. On behalf of the people of Western North Carolina, I would like to thank Dr. Thuss for his dedication to the residents of

Caldwell County and congratulate him on his retirement after so many years of service.

Over his 16 years of service as a Caldwell County Commissioner, Dr. Thuss presided over several critical projects vital to the economic, educational, and conservation interests of the people of Caldwell County. He was instrumental in the designation and preservation of Wilson Creek as a Wild and Scenic River and has demonstrated his commitment to expanding educational opportunities through his work establishing the Caldwell Early College High School and Caldwell Career Center Middle College. Dr. Thuss' concern for public education is further evidenced by his support for West Caldwell High School athletics and Communities in Schools, the nation's largest and most effective dropout prevention program. During his time on the Board of Directors of the Caldwell County Chamber of Commerce, Dr. Thuss has been a vocal supporter of local businesses and economic development throughout Caldwell County. He is a former member of the North Carolina Board of Health and a former member of the Human Resource Committee of the National Association of County Officials. After a year of service as an at-large member of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC), Dr. Thuss was honored as the NCACC's Outstanding Commissioner of the Year.

Dr. John Thuss is a model public servant whose work for his community has earned him respect and gratitude across Western North Carolina. I am proud to honor Dr. John Thuss for his long service to Caldwell County and sincerely express the gratitude and best wishes of the people of North Carolina as he enters retirement.

HONORING CANTEEN BREWHOUSE

HON. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Canteen Brewhouse on their achievement during the 2016 World Beer Cup awards.

The Brewers Association hosts the World Beer Cup every two years, a competition which features over 200 judges for over 90 categories of beer. Large and small breweries throughout the globe enter this prestigious event.

I am honored to know that Albuquerque, New Mexico's very own Canteen Brewhouse received the Silver in the Bohemian-Style Pilsner category, for their High Plains Pils, out of a total of 65 entries from around the world.

Canteen Brewhouse was founded in Albuquerque in 1994 as the Il Vincino Brewing Company. Over the past 20 years their beers have become staples in our state and have gone on to win over 140 local, national, and international awards. In 2014, Il Vincino Brewing Company updated its name to Canteen Brewhouse.

As a small locally owned manufacturing and service business Canteen Brewhouse represents the prosperity of a burgeoning local craft beer industry in New Mexico. Canteen Brewhouse is a testament to the contributions small businesses make to our country and

communities and the idea that with hard work and dedication nothing is unattainable.

To this day lawyers, government officials, business leaders, political icons, artists and students continue to enjoy exquisite beers in Canteen Brewhouse's friendly atmosphere. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this moment to recognize Canteen Brewhouse for their accomplishments in the 2016 World Beer Cup competition and commitment to our community at large. I am proud to know that we have a great business located in the First Congressional District of New Mexico.

HONORING NORMA HARRIS ON BEING ACCEPTED BY THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF FUTURE PHYSICIANS AND MEDICAL SCIENTISTS AS A DELEGATE TO THE CONGRESS OF FUTURE MEDICAL LEADERS

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Neosho High School student Norma Harris on her being accepted as a delegate to the Congress of Future Medical Leaders by the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists.

The Congress of Future Medical Leaders is an honors-only program that is designed to motivate and direct the top students in the United States. Specifically, it's designed for students aspiring to become physicians or medical researchers, and provides a path and mentorship for students to accomplish their goals.

To be considered for acceptance as a delegate, applicants are either recommended by a teacher or member of the Academy based on a proven track record of academic excellence. Delegates represent all 50 states plus Puerto Rico, and must have a minimum 3.5 GPA. Students like Harris who qualify for this incredibly selective honor exemplify top-tier diligence and academic talent.

Mr. Speaker, as a perennial Honor Roll student at her high school, Norma Harris has displayed elite academic qualifications, which will undoubtedly serve her future aspirations well. I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating her for this achievement. On behalf of Missouri's Seventh Congressional District, I wish Norma the best of luck in all her future endeavors.

IN HONOR OF LAVERNE JACKSON

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mrs. LaVerne Guice Chatmon Jackson of Columbus, Georgia on her 97th birthday on May 17, 2016. Mrs. Jackson has been an outstanding member of the community through her work as a nurse for 37 years and her service to numerous civic and charitable organizations.

LaVerne Guice was born in Birmingham, Alabama on May 17, 1919. She came from a

large family of six children. Her father, Thomas Jefferson Guice, was a blacksmith for the Frisco railroad for many years and her mother, Minnie Waters Guice, was a teacher for over forty years.

In 1936, Mrs. Jackson graduated from Industrial High School (now A.H. Parker High School) in Birmingham, Alabama. She earned a degree from the Norwood School of Nursing, also located in Birmingham. Mrs. Jackson continued her education at the University of Chicago, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Miles College, and Tuskegee Institute (now University).

Mrs. Jackson's Christian faith has been important to her since a young age when she chose to become baptized at Sardis Baptist Church in Birmingham. When she married the late Warren Pete Chatmon, II, she became a member of Green Liberty Baptist Church, where she served on the Usher Board and in the Young Matrons, and sang in the choir.

Mrs. Jackson was able to touch many lives during her 37 years as a Public Health Nurse for the Jefferson County Department of Health in Birmingham. During those years, she worked in a variety of capacities, helping to heal people of all ages and from all walks of life. When she retired in 1984, she said, "One could not have had a more rewarding career; to have the responsibility of promoting health and wellbeing is in itself rewarding for it has not only affected the present population but it will have an impact on future generations as well. You can be assured that I will continue to work in our community promoting health and wellbeing, for the nurse in me will never retire."

In 1986, Mrs. Jackson, then a widow, decided to move to Columbus, Georgia to reunite with her childhood sweetheart, the late CW4 Lawton W. Jackson. Mrs. Jackson and her husband became active members of the First African Baptist Church in Columbus.

Mrs. Jackson quickly fell in love with her new city and volunteered much of her time to better the Columbus community. She served in the Metro Columbus Urban League, United Negro College Fund, American Heart Association, American Diabetes Association, March of Dimes, Lindsay Creek Association, Girl Scouts of America, Columbus Health Fair, and the Columbus Community Center. Mrs. Jackson also served the Fort Benning community as President, Vice President, and Chaplain of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Officer's Wives Club and the Chattahoochee Valley Chapter of the Retired Officers Association. Her giving spirit, concern for others, and contributions to the community led to Mrs. Jackson's induction into the Gracious Ladies of Georgia in 1995.

Mrs. Jackson is also a charter member of the Xi Chapter of Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc. An active member for more than fifty years, Mrs. Jackson has served as president of both the Birmingham and Columbus chapters. On the national level, she served as the Dean of Pledges and South East Regional Director.

Mrs. Jackson has lived a selfless and generous life, serving as a nurse and volunteer. She has been blessed with two children, Gwendolyn Chatmon Corrin and Warren Pete Chatmon, III; ten grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me and my wife, Vivian, in extending our best wishes to LaVerne G. Jackson on her 97th

birthday. As we celebrate another year of this outstanding citizen's life, we would do well to follow the example of her legacy of striving to improve the quality of life of others.

HONORING BOSQUE BREWING

HON. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Bosque Brewing on their achievement during the 2016 World Beer Cup awards.

The Brewers Association hosts the World Beer Cup every two years, a competition which features over 200 judges for over 90 categories of beer. Large and small breweries throughout the globe enter this prestigious event.

I am honored to know that Albuquerque, New Mexico's very own Bosque Brewing received the Bronze in the Australian or International-Style Pale Ale category, for their Riverwalker IPA, out of a total of 84 entries from around the world.

Bosque Brewing was founded in Albuquerque in October 2012. Since opening, they have expanded rapidly in New Mexico with an outstanding selection of beer. Although just four years old, Bosque Brewing's beers are already staples in restaurants and bars throughout our state.

As a small locally owned manufacturing and service business Bosque Brewing represents the prosperity of a burgeoning local craft beer industry in New Mexico. Not only is Bosque Brewery a thriving business in the heart of downtown Albuquerque, but they are an active and engaged partner in our local community. Each month Bosque Brewery designates an "Adoption Brew" and donates \$1 from every sale to the ABBA fund, an organization that extends 0 percent interest loans to families aspiring to adopt domestically and internationally. Bosque Brewery is a testament to the contributions small businesses make to our country and communities and the idea that with hard work and dedication nothing is unattainable.

To this day lawyers, government officials, business leaders, political icons, artists and students continue to enjoy exquisite beers in Bosque's friendly atmosphere. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this moment to recognize Bosque Brewery for their accomplishments in the 2016 World Beer Cup competition and

commitment to our community at large. I am proud to know that we have a great business located in the First Congressional District of New Mexico.

TRIBUTE TO SHARON ANDERSON

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Sharon Anderson of Adair, Iowa for being named the 2015 Adair Citizen of the Year.

Sharon was cited for her devotion to the community youth in Adair through her leadership in the children's Christmas programs. She is a dedicated volunteer with WACKO (We Are Christ's Kids on a Mission) organization, where they recently packaged meals for Outreach, Inc. Sharon also provides music at the Anita Nursing Home each week. The award ceremony was held at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Adair where she was honored among family and friends.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to represent Sharon Anderson in the United States Congress. I invite my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in congratulating her on receiving this well-deserved award and wish her nothing but continued success.

COMMEMORATING 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF LANDMARK SUPREME COURT DECISION IN BROWN V. BOARD OF EDUCATION

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commemorate the 62nd anniversary of the historic Supreme Court decision in Brown v. Board of Education, which overturned the doctrine of "separate but equal" that had been the law of the land since 1896 when the Supreme Court decided Plessy v. Ferguson.

In Brown v. Board of Education, the Supreme Court declared that separate public schools for black and white Americans were unconstitutional.

This unanimous decision sparked the movement toward desegregation of American insti-

tutions and paved the way for the civil rights movement.

On the anniversary of this landmark decision, it is appropriate that we pay tribute to our ancestors who endured and lived through those days of crisis and challenge so that we could enjoy the right to vote, the right to equal protection of the law, and to enjoy the blessings of liberties.

This historic case originated in Topeka, Kansas, and involved a black third-grader named Linda Brown, who had to walk one mile through a railroad switchyard to get to her black elementary school, even though a white elementary school was only seven blocks away.

Linda's father, Oliver Brown, tried to enroll her in the white elementary school, but the principal of the school refused.

Brown went to McKinley Burnett, the head of Topeka's branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and asked for help.

The NAACP persuaded other black parents to join in a complaint and in 1951 the NAACP sought an injunction that would forbid the segregation of Topeka's public schools.

The U.S. District Court for the District of Kansas heard Brown's case and refused to overrule the precedent of Plessy v. Ferguson which allowed separate but equal school systems for blacks and whites.

The case was taken to the Supreme Court on October 1, 1951 and set up one of the landmark cases in the history of the American justice system.

The argument of the great civil rights lawyer, Thurgood Marshall of the NAACP, and counsel for plaintiff Brown won the day.

On May 17, 1954, Chief Justice Earl Warren read the unanimous decision of the Supreme Court:

We come then to the question presented: Does segregation of children in public schools solely on the basis of race, even though the physical facilities and other "tangible" factors may be equal, deprive the children of the minority group of equal educational opportunities? We believe that it does. . . . We conclude that in the field of public education the doctrine of 'separate but equal' has no place. Separate educational facilities are inherently unequal.

With those few words more than a century of racial discrimination and separation were dealt a great blow.

It is up to us to preserve the hard-won gains of those who led the fight and won the case of Brown v. Board of Education.