than 4 decades, who passed away on September 18, 2016 at the age of 79. She had been fighting breast cancer since 2012 while bravely continuing to serve as a Commissioner on the Cook County Board. During her long service, she was known as a champion for working families and an advocate for greater involvement for women in government.

Born in South Boston, Commissioner Murphy graduated from Massachusetts State Teacher's College. Early in her career she was a flight attendant for United Airlines as well as a real estate broker. She began her long career in public service when she was elected Crestwood's Village Clerk in 1965. She was the first woman elected to that office, and became the first woman elected to be Worth Township Clerk in 1977, a position she held for two terms. She would go on to serve as the Worth Township Supervisor. In 2002 she was elected to represent the 6th District on the Cook County Board of Commissioners and served as the Chairperson for the Labor Committee and the Asset Management Committee.

Commissioner Murphy is survived by her daughter Tricia, her sons, Tim and Tony, and five grandchildren. Her husband Donald passed away from leukemia after 43 years of marriage. She lost her son Donald, Jr. a decade ago.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Commissioner Joan Murphy, a truly committed public servant. Her long career in government demonstrated her connection to her community and her passion for improving the lives of those she worked for. She will be greatly missed.

HONORING KINDALL HENNING

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 22, 2016

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Kindall Henning. Kindall is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 43, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Kindall has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Kindall has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Kindall has led his troop as the Senior Patrol Leader. Kindall has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Kindall constructed a Veterans Memorial at the Faucett Community Center in Faucett, Missouri.

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

IN RECOGNITION OF THE NEW ENGLAND HONOR FLIGHT

HON. FRANK C. GUINTA

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 22, 2016

Mr. GUINTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the New England Honor Flight organization from Hooksett, New Hampshire. This great organization is our local branch of the National Honor Flight organization that provides our most senior veterans with an expense paid trip to Washington, DC to visit our national war monuments.

The work done by this organization is truly outstanding. So many of our nation's veterans have not had the opportunity to visit Washington, DC to visit the monuments erected to pay honor to their service, and the brave men and women who sacrificed their lives to protect the freedoms and liberties of our great country. Many veterans serve their country and do so humbly and quietly. They seek nothing more than the benefits promised to them by our forefathers, and many do not even pursue that which is entitled to them.

To date, the New England Honor Flight has led 42 flights to Washington, DC, serving 1,474 veterans. Those veterans served include 37 Prisoners of War, 61 women, 21 sets of brothers, and 7 husband and wife couples. Their next flight is scheduled for September 18th and their remaining flights for the year are currently booked with veterans that they will share this emotional experience with.

I am proud to join with my fellow Granite Staters in recognizing the outstanding work the New England Honor Flight is doing to help support and recognize our veterans, and wish them all the best on future endeavors.

IN MEMORY OF ALEJANDRO DURAN

HON. ALAN S. LOWENTHAL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 22, 2016

Mr. LOWENTHAL. Mr. Speaker, I'd like to remember a prominent Long Beach resident, Mr. Alejandro Duran. He was respected and liked by many in the community, known best for his work at the restaurant, Chianina, in Naples. As an experienced chef, sommelier, and general manager, Alejandro's extensive background and personality made him a popular figure within Long Beach's culinary community.

Alejandro's experience with cooking spans over several years. Prior to moving to Long Beach, he worked in Austin, Texas as a chef at the Latin American restaurant, Malaga. Alejandro's entrepreneurial and culinary skills helped project Malaga to prominent success. In 2013, he moved to Long Beach, California and joined the Michael's Restaurant Group as general manager of Chianina.

Alejandro was an active and energetic manager who often enjoyed engaging with customers. He was a respected leader amongst the restaurant staff for constantly motivating and supporting them. Alejandro's devotion to Chianina helped make it one of the top ten steak restaurants in the United States.

The sudden loss of Alejandro has been a devastating blow to the community, Chianina, and his family. He is survived by his wife, Dana—to whom he was happily married for eight years—and two daughters, Isabella and Sofia—to whom he was devoted to raising. Alejandro Duran's passing was sudden and shocking, but he will be remembered for the lasting impact he left on the Long Beach community.

IN MEMORY OF DUANE ACKLIE

HON. ADRIAN SMITH

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 22, 2016

Mr. SMITH of Nebraska. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory of Duane Acklie of Lincoln, Nebraska, who passed away on September 17, 2016.

Duane was a successful entrepreneur who built one of America's largest privately-owned trucking companies, but he was even more well-known for his commitment to his community, his state, and his country. Through numerous board memberships, appointments, and philanthropic ventures, he continually gave of himself to benefit the state he loved.

Duane worked tirelessly and humbly at all levels of Nebraska politics for more than 50 years. His influence will undoubtedly be felt for generations to come.

On behalf of all Nebraskans, I extend condolences to Duane's loving wife of 62 years, Phyllis, and their family. Duane will be deeply missed.

CONGRATULATING THE DELANEY FAMILY ON RECEIVING THE DISTINGUISHED FAMILY BUSINESS AWARD

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 22, 2016

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Delaney family of the Delaney Automotive Group in Indiana, PA on earning the Distinguished Family Business Award granted by the Indiana University of Pennsylvania Center for Family Business.

The Distinguished Family Business Award is presented annually to a family that has excelled in industry, contributed to the community, and passed the business to the second generation or beyond. This award was created to increase awareness of the critical role that family-owned businesses play in our communities. As such, it helps honor those who have truly made a difference.

Jack and Susan (Snell) Delaney opened Delaney Chevrolet on July 19, 1971, and have since grown the family business to include a number of other dealerships in the Indiana area. What's more, they have shared their personal successes with the community, as the Delaney Automotive Group now employs more than 360 people across its locations.

Taking over as dealer operators at the Indiana and Greensburg locations were sons Jack and Tom, respectively. The Delaneys also have a daughter, Beth, who is an attorney in

Philadelphia. With six grandchildren and a seventh on the way, it's possible the business will stay with the Delaneys for some time to come.

It is my pleasure to highlight the hard work and commitment that the whole family has contributed to the successes of the Delaney Automotive Group. The Delaney family and their business will surely continue to benefit the greater Indiana, PA community for generations to come.

TRIBUTE TO GARY YAMAUCHI

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 22, 2016

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Gary Yamauchi for his many years of dedicated public service to the City of Alhambra and the greater Los Angeles community. After twelve years serving as a city council member, which includes three-terms as mayor of Alhambra, Mr. Yamauchi has demonstrated unparalleled leadership and commitment to improving the lives of residents.

Before Gary served on the Alhambra City Council, he founded Tri-Star Vending, a successful, full-service vending business, which operates more than 600 machines and proudly serves major San Gabriel Valley institutions such as the California Institute of Technology and East Los Angeles College. Mr. Yamauchi's business is admired for its high-quality service, and the opportunity it has afforded to individuals rebuilding their lives through employment. A quarter of Tri-Star Vending's employees are former gang members who received job training through Homeboy Industries.

Mr. Yamauchi's strong desire to assist others and improve his community pushed him to run for public office and in 2004 he was elected to the Alhambra City Council. His success and loyalty to the Alhambra community assured his re-election and he served as mayor twice more in 2008 and in 2012.

Besides his involvement on the city council, Gary has demonstrated his commitment to the Alhambra community serving as President and board member of the Alhambra Chamber of Commerce, the Alhambra Rotary Club, and the West San Gabriel Valley YMCA. Mr. Yamauchi has also served as Vice President of the Alhambra Planning Commission, member of the San Gabriel Valley Economic Development Council, and board member of the Go For Broke National Education Center.

It is with great pleasure and gratitude that I congratulate Mr. Gary Yamauchi today for his many years of service to the City of Alhambra. The time and energy Mr. Yamauchi has put into improving the lives of others is exemplary and greatly appreciated by Alhambra's residents. I now ask all Members to join me in congratulating Gary Yamauchi, successful businessman and devoted public servant.

RECOGNIZING STATE REPRESENTATIVE RICK WOMICK

HON. SCOTT DesJARLAIS

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 22, 2016

Mr. DESJARLAIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Tennessee State Representative Rick Womick, a constituent of Tennessee's Fourth Congressional District who has distinguished himself through outstanding public service to the people of the 34th House District and all Tennesseans. He has faithfully served in the Tennessee General Assembly from 2010 to 2016.

As a staunch conservative, Representative Womick's Christian faith has guided him to safeguard the values we treasure: the United States Constitution, the Tennessee Constitution, the constitutional amendment prohibiting a state income tax in Tennessee, preserving states' rights, the right to keep and bear arms, recognizing the serious threat of radical Islam to America, and supporting Tennessee values.

Representative Womick has a lifelong record of preserving freedom and protecting our country, having served in the United States Air Force as an officer and an F–15 Fighter Pilot during the Gulf War. He has also served as a Federal Law Enforcement Officer and presently serves as an international commercial airline pilot.

This commendation is presented as recognition of Representative Rick Womick's honored service to the people of Tennessee. I thank you for your energy, enthusiasm, and dedication that epitomize our state slogan: ''Tennessee . . . America at its Best.''

Best wishes to you and your family for great success in the future.

HONORING ETHEL SEIDERMAN

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 22, 2016

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory of Ethel Seiderman, who passed away on July 26, 2016, after a lifetime of service to her community. The daughter of Jewish immigrants from Poland, Ethel developed a passion for children and social justice from growing up in a working-class Bronx childhood.

While studying at Brooklyn College she met and married Stanley Seiderman. In 1963 they left New York and made their home in San Francisco, moving to Marin four years later. Mr. Seiderman, a family counselor, died in 2005.

After founding the pioneering Fairfax-San Anselmo Children's Center in 1973, Ethel went on to become nationally known as a passionate advocate for early childhood education and social justice for needy children and families. In later years, on behalf of the Parent Services Project, Mrs. Seiderman traveled widely, teaching and lecturing in a dozen states. In Marin, she advised child-care centers as well as a dozen elementary and high schools. In 2006, she was honored with the Beryl H. Buck Award for ''community giving in action.''

After running a nursery school in Terra Linda and working in child care centers in San Francisco's African-American Fillmore District, Mrs. Seiderman battled the state bureaucracy to get funding for the Fairfax-San Anselmo Child Care Center, the first low-cost child care center founded by a community member.

Mr. Speaker, the depth of Mrs. Seiderman's commitment to the children, education, and social justice has left an indelible mark not just on the community of Marin, but on children and families far and wide. She was a formidable force whose presence will be missed by many. It is therefore appropriate that we pay tribute to her today and honor her memory.

HONORING ASSUMPTION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH ON THEIR 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. DANIEL LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 22, 2016

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the parishioners of the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church of Homer Glen, Illinois, who are celebrating the 100th Anniversary of their parish.

Established by the first Greek Settlement to come to Chicago Heights in 1916, the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church has been an institution in the community since its inception. The church was dedicated on December 3, 1916, making it the first Greek Orthodox Church in Chicagoland to be located outside the city limits. The church moved to Olympia Fields, then temporarily to Orland Park, before settling in its current location in Homer Glen.

In addition to liturgies and other church services, Assumption holds many community and educational events. The church offers weekly Greek classes as well as Sunday school and women's and young adult philanthropy programs to foster a vibrant parish community. I would like to commend Assumption for going above and beyond by being active in the local community and expanding its reach to include education and community work.

The hard work of Reverend Father Sotirios Dimitriou, or ''Father Sam'' as he is affectionately known, has been integral to the success of the parish. He is well deserving of praise along with the outstanding parishioners who strive to improve the strength of the church and its worshippers.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to congratulate Father Sam and all the parishioners of Assumption Greek Orthodox Church on one hundred wonderful years of withstanding the test of time and continuing to minister to the faithful.

CELEBRATING THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ABINGDON RURITAN CLUB

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 22, 2016

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 60th Anniversary of the