

of Miles City for his tireless work at Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks. Alan served in the agency's Helena office for the last 20 years, helping maintain Montanans' access to quality hunting grounds, an integral part of our way of life.

In his role, Alan oversaw the block management program, which enabled landowners to enroll 7,234,628 acres of land for public hunting. He also provided oversight for critical access programs to ensure Montanans were able to enjoy our great outdoors and participate in our favorite pastimes. Over the course of 10 legislative sessions, he also provided testimony and background on legislation dealing with access and game issues in our great State.

Alan was also a community builder, helping bring together landowners, the State government, and sportsmen, finding common ground among these groups.

I am grateful for Alan's service to our State and its vast natural resources. After all, they are what make Montana the Treasure State. It takes a dedicated person to accomplish what Alan did, and I profoundly appreciate his time and efforts to preserve the Montanan way of life.●

RECOGNIZING FARM RESCUE

● Mr. HOEVEN. Madam President, today I wish to recognize Farm Rescue for assisting 400 farm and ranch families during times of crisis. Farm Rescue provides assistance to farming families who are suffering from a major injury, illness, or natural disaster by lending a helping hand with planting, harvesting crops, or providing haying assistance. They also assist producers with hauling hay and grain if a farmer or rancher cannot do these critical tasks. Farm Rescue's relief efforts have come in times of natural disaster, like tornadoes, and personal crisis, such as cancer treatments, spinal cord injuries, and lost limbs.

In rural communities, it is common for folks to help one another when in need, and this organization epitomizes that spirit. Farm Rescue was founded by Bill Gross in 2006, a native North Dakota farm boy who, while working as a full-time UPS pilot, donates his free time to run this organization. Mr. Gross has molded Farm Rescue into a one-of-a-kind nonprofit organization whose sole purpose is to aid farmers and ranchers who need a little help in the midst of a crisis. Farm Rescue actually does the critical labor the farmer or rancher needs to get done, while the assisted producer provides the crop inputs, like seed, fertilizer, and fuel.

Since 2006, Farm Rescue has assisted hundreds of farm families in the Midwest, including North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, Montana, and Minnesota. This year alone, Farm Rescue has already helped 50 families, and they are still in the field assisting more. Its operations are primarily

completed by a volunteer labor force that come from all over the country to help, and many of those volunteers are retired farmers seeking to lend their help and expertise to those in need.

Farm Rescue's first case in 2006 was to assist a farmer whose hand was severed in an auger accident. In 2012, they harvested for a family near Wyndmere, ND, marking their 200th case, after the farmer fell off his semitrailer and broke vertebrae in his neck. One hundred cases later, in 2014, Farm Rescue helped a Fergus Falls, MN, man with harvest while he underwent treatment for blood cancer. Two years later, Farm Rescue is now completing its 400th case by enabling a family with a loved one suffering from cancer to complete harvest.

It must be a great relief to farming and ranching families to know that, if an unexpected medical diagnosis complicates spring planting or multiple lengthy trips to doctor appointments make harvesting the fall crop near impossible, there is an organization that will coordinate volunteers to come out and lend a neighborly helping hand. Farm Rescue is making a positive contribution to the agriculture community all over the United States, and I am proud to be able to recognize this organization. Farm Rescue is a powerful reminder of what Americans can achieve when they work together to help each other in times of need.●

TRIBUTE TO BRETT BAKER

● Mr. RUBIO. Madam President, today I recognize Brett Baker, a 2016 summer intern in my Orlando office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the people of the State of Florida.

Brett is a current student from the University of South Florida. He is a dedicated and diligent worker who has been devoted to getting the most out of his internship experience.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Brett for all the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO TRISTAN BAKER

● Mr. RUBIO. Madam President, today I recognize Tristan Baker, a 2016 summer intern in my Orlando office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the people of the State of Florida.

Tristan is a current student from Rollins College. He is a dedicated and diligent worker who has been devoted to getting the most out of his internship experience.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Tristan for all the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO NICOLETTE DELORENZO

● Mr. RUBIO. Madam President, today I recognize Nicolette DeLorenzo, a 2016 summer intern in my Orlando office, for all of the hard work she has done for me, my staff, and the people of the State of Florida.

Nicolette is a current student from Wake Forest University. She is a dedicated and diligent worker who has been devoted to getting the most out of her internship experience.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Nicolette for all the fine work she has done and wish her continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO NICOLAS DUARIO

● Mr. RUBIO. Madam President, today I recognize Nicolas Duario, a 2016 summer intern in my Orlando office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the people of the State of Florida.

Nicolas is a student at Bishop Moore High School. He is a dedicated and diligent worker who has been devoted to getting the most out of his internship experience.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Nicolas for all the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO JOHN PAUL GILLIGAN

● Mr. RUBIO. Madam President, today I recognize John Paul Gilligan, a 2016 summer intern in my Jacksonville office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the people of the State of Florida.

John Paul is a recent graduate from Villanova University, where he majored in comprehensive science. He is a dedicated and diligent worker who has been devoted to getting the most out of his internship experience.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to John Paul for all the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO WESLEY HARRIS

● Mr. RUBIO. Madam President, today I recognize Wesley Harris, a 2016 summer intern in my Orlando office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the people of the State of Florida.

Wesley is a student at Boone High School. He is a dedicated and diligent worker who has been devoted to getting the most out of his internship experience.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Wesley for all the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●