

There also needs to be an opportunity for people who have been displaced to return home. Catholic Bishop Abaraham Desta of Meld recently brought to my attention that over two and a half million people are internally displaced and require the government's immediate attention, especially by providing education for displaced children, as the school year has already started.

The economy needs to grow to provide jobs for the many youth, including those who participated in protests and civic disobedience. Reforms in the economic sector, including liberalization and deregulation as well as an opening of economy to ethnic groups that have not been fully enfranchised, needs to continue.

It has also been said that the reforms begun by Prime Minister Abiy represent a "once-in-a-generation opportunity for Ethiopia." It is thus absolutely crucial that this opportunity not be squandered.

With this in mind, the United States must remain a partner Ethiopia can call upon. We collaborate on counter-terrorism measures, we support and are grateful for Ethiopia's contribution to peace keeping missions—indeed, with 12,000 troops deployed, Ethiopia is the largest contributor to UN peacekeeping missions worldwide—and we must continue to encourage Ethiopia to participate in our IMET military professionalization programs.

I do believe, having met the man and had an opportunity to engage in substantive discourse with him, that Prime Minister Abiy is the right man at the right time, and is therefore deserving of our support.

RECOGNIZING MR. GARY GREEN FOR RECEIVING A PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM THE HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION HOSPITAL OF ALTOONA

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Gary Green of Huntingdon, PA, one of the winners of the 25th annual Personal Achievement Award from the HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital of Altoona. This award is given to encourage and recognize those who have made an outstanding effort to deal with or overcome a disability. This year, Mr. Green has earned that distinction.

Mr. Green suffered a stroke in October of 2017 that affected his speech and body. Among his many challenges were numbness and weakness on the left side of his body, difficulty in performing daily tasks, and impaired memory. Mr. Green, aided by a positive attitude and the strong support of his wife, followed the therapy plan established at HealthSouth with tremendous success. Today—nearly a year later—he is able to walk, complete his daily living skills, speak clearly and swallow safely.

It is my honor to congratulate Mr. Green on his remarkable progress and promising improvements, as I believe that it is through role models like him that we all can learn to overcome our hardships. Furthermore, I am happy to recognize him for his perseverance, and I wish him the best as he continues to overcome this adversity.

RECOGNIZING RETIREMENT OF CHIEF DANNY BOWMAN

HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a servant leader in my district who has made a tremendous difference in the lives of thousands in Forsyth County, Georgia. For more than half a century, Chief Danny D. Bowman has served as a Georgia firefighter displaying the values of selflessness, honor, and patriotism.

Chief Bowman is an Atlanta native and veteran of the United States Air Force. He began his career as a firefighter in Atlanta in 1968. After serving with the Atlanta Fire Department, he joined the Fulton County Fire Department in 1977.

Bowman came to Forsyth County as a division chief in 2001 and began serving as the county's director of emergency management in 2002. He took the reins as Fire Chief in 2003. Forsyth County Commission Chairman Todd Levent credits Chief Bowman with "making the local department what it is today."

Chief Bowman will officially retire this October, and I commend him for a career of sacrificial service to Forsyth County and the great state of Georgia.

CELEBRATING DONI MILLER'S 25 YEARS OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the life profession of Doni Miller of Toledo, Ohio. Doni has given herself to the practice of public health administration and is being recognized in a silver anniversary celebration tomorrow evening.

After serving as an administrator in a public hospital, Doni took over the helm of Toledo's then-struggling Federally Qualified Health Center in 1993. Under her able leadership and steady guidance, Doni was able to turn around the ailing system within a few years and turn it into a premiere organization which is a model for others. Now, 25 years later, the Neighborhood Health Association is a conglomerate of fourteen clinics in neighborhoods throughout Lucas County, Ohio serving well the health care needs of thousands of people. Its clinics are a medical home for some of the most vulnerable among us and the services provided are life changing and life altering.

It is impossible to separate the growth and success of the Neighborhood Health Association from Doni Miller. Her skill at selecting the right person for the job, providing opportunity and accomplishment, has been an important part of the organization's incredible achievements. Doni Miller has sacrificed and persevered to bring the agency to the outstanding organization it is today. She has initiated creative and unique approaches to continue to develop the Neighborhood Health Association, and nurtures talent along with her.

Because of her intimate knowledge of health care delivery, Doni's counsel is sought after by

many, including myself. Her knowledge and advice is respected and well-earned. She is equally known for her ardent support of the rights of women and people who are underprivileged. In addition to her role as CEO of the Neighborhood Health Association, Doni Miller also served as President of the Toledo Lucas County Port Authority, is a founding member of the Black Women's Democratic Caucus, and has served on several other Boards and Commissions. She has been a political analyst for local television including Conklin and Company and Toledo Up-front. For several years she has hosted Bridges, a local public affairs television program focusing on important social and economic issues facing our community and nation. Just a few of the recognitions awarded to her include the Chamber of Commerce ATHENA Award, the YWCA Milestones Award, the state Democratic Women's Caucus Award, the African American Legacy Award and the 2016 NAACP Freedom Fund Award.

Her most important role is that of mother to a young woman successful in her own right. Doni Miller is a true community leader. Her abilities, compassion and leadership have lifted up community. She notes she is most inspired by Nelson Mandela's quote, "The elimination of poverty is not charity, it is justice." Doni Miller truly lives this creed and I am so proud to join our citizens in paying tribute to her.

COMMEMORATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF WILLIAM WOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HON. MICHAEL CLOUD

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Mr. CLOUD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 100th anniversary of William Wood Elementary School, an educational mainstay in the Victoria community.

The school's namesake, Mr. William Wood, was born in 1861 and died of pneumonia in 1900 at the age of 39. He married Nellie Borland on June 17, 1890. They owned and operated a ranch east of Telferner, Texas where they were prominent residents of the community. Their 5 children were Nellie, Frank P., Margaret, Corine, and Jessie. Upon his passing, his wife donated ten acres of land for the site of William A. Wood Memorial High School. It's assumed that being a former teacher herself had something to do with her choice of commemoration.

Construction began in 1918 and took two years to complete. On September 13, 1918, The Victoria Daily Advocate wrote: "The schoolhouse is beginning to go undercover as Mr. Gruy is putting up the framework of the roof". The building consisted of four classrooms with two rooms on either side of a large hallway. Construction of the school was not finished until 1920.

William A. Wood Memorial High School was added to the Shiller-Hood School District, which consisted of several small neighborhood schools. By the late 1940s, however, William A. Wood High School became the Shiller-Hood District's only school. In 1956, the Shiller-Hood School District ceased to exist, and the Victoria Independent School District

adopted William A. Wood High School. Eventually, the Victoria Independent School District transformed the high school into an elementary school to address a growing need for elementary education in the community.

On April 14, 1944, 21-year-old 2nd Lieutenant Thomas J. Flynn, an instructor at nearby Foster Field (now the Victoria Regional Airport), heroically gave his life to save the children of William Wood. Flynn was flying his plane over the school on a combat training mission when he encountered engine trouble. Knowing that abandoning the aircraft could cause it to hit the school, Lt. Flynn remained in the plane so that he could guide it away from the school. Because of Lt. Flynn's actions, countless lives were saved that day, and the school embraced a new mascot, the "Aviators", in Lt. Flynn's honor.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize the 100th anniversary of such a historic institution that has shaped Texas young minds for a century. I want to extend my sincerest gratitude to all the educators that helped make William Wood such an impactful institution.

RECOGNIZING DR. MICHAEL KLINE FOR RECEIVING A PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM THE HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION HOSPITAL OF ALTOONA

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Michael Kline, one of the winners of the 25th annual Personal Achievement Award from the HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital of Altoona. This award is given to encourage and recognize those who have made an outstanding effort to deal with or overcome a disability. This year, Dr. Kline has earned that distinction.

Dr. Kline has been serving the community as a primary-care physician for more than two decades. In this capacity, Dr. Kline is known for his attentive care for his patients. However, he was admitted to HealthSouth Rehab Hospital for Physical Therapy in April of this year with a long list of problems that prevented him from being able to walk unassisted. These included pelvic fractures, multiple rib fractures, leg weakness and decreased balance.

Dr. Kline maintained a positive attitude and work ethic, and displayed the determination for recovery he has always encouraged with his patients. Through these efforts, he has regained his ability to walk without any devices, is driving once again and recently returned to work.

It is my pleasure to congratulate Dr. Kline on his successful progress. His accomplishments are a testament to us all that with hard work and persistence, we can overcome any hardship. I honor him for his perseverance, and I wish him the best as he continues to overcome this setback.

TRIBUTE TO CARMEN AND JIM LUNDBERG

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Carmen and Jim Lundberg of Essex, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 70th wedding anniversary. They were married on August 15, 1948.

Carmen and Jim's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa values. As they reflect on their 70th anniversary, I hope it is filled with happy memories. May their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

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

SHERIFF MIKE SCOTT

HON. FRANCIS ROONEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Mr. FRANCIS ROONEY of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Lee County Sheriff Mike Scott, Sheriff Scott announced his retirement later this month. I want to thank him for his 30 years of service to our district. He has served as the 12th Sheriff in the 131-year history of Lee County. We are thankful for his leadership, service, and commitment to the safety of our district and citizens. I wish him and his family the best in his retirement.

The Lee County Sheriffs Office is a dedicated team of law enforcement officers who have been successful in decreasing the crime rate, promoting positive community development, and keeping us safe. I have confidence their next leader will continue the success that Sheriff Scott has presided over.

CELEBRATING THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF JULIA DIXON

HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 100th birthday of an extraordinary woman and fellow Northeast Georgian, Mrs. Julia Dixon.

Mrs. Dixon has been a resident of Elbert County since August 24, 1918. After marrying Mr. Henry Dixon on December 21, 1935, she committed herself to her family by raising her five children: Ms. Jimmie D. Bell, Ms. Cyndie D. Blanford, Mr. George Dixon, Mr. Oscar Dixon, and Mr. Neal Dixon.

In addition to raising a family, Mrs. Dixon invested her local community through her work for the Elberton Recreational Department during baseball and football seasons. She regularly attended basketball games at Elbert

County Comprehensive High School until just last year.

This August 24, Mrs. Dixon celebrated her centennial birthday during a party at the local Masonic Lodge. Surrounded by family and friends, Mrs. Dixon oversaw the cutting of a very special birthday cake.

I celebrate a century lived in Northeast Georgia and wish Mrs. Dixon a joyful year ahead.

RECOGNIZING MR. JERRE E. SELL FOR RECEIVING A PATIENT ADVOCATE AWARD FROM THE HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION HOSPITAL OF ALTOONA

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jerre Sell of Imler, PA, a winner of the Patient Advocate Award from the HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital of Altoona.

Jerre's son, Troy, endured a catastrophic event in 2016 when he suffered both Anoxic and Traumatic Brain Injuries. Throughout this immensely challenging time, Jerre has always supported his son and has been heavily involved with his care—all while continuing to work at his present job that he's held for more than 40 years. He has been with Troy during his inpatient stays, transported him to every Outpatient therapy visit, and has pushed for the many medication changes and ongoing therapies for his son.

Jerre, himself, recently underwent back surgery, but is back to work and continuing to be Troy's caregiver. He has displayed a strong character and stayed positive despite the many challenges he has overcome.

While his son's efforts to recover are worth celebrating in their own right, there can be no doubt that Jerre has provided exemplary care. Given his admirable actions in support of his son and family through a time of tremendous hardship, Jerre is unquestionably deserving of this recognition. As such, it is my honor to help celebrate his having received this award.

INTRODUCTION OF THE TROUBLED NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS COMMUNITIES ASSISTANCE

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce the Troubled Nuclear Power Plants Communities Assistance Act. This bill seeks to mitigate the human casualties that result from the upheaval of the energy industry, where we see many nuclear power plants struggling to remain afloat as other sources of energy have become cheaper and cheaper.

The impact on local economies due to the potential loss of jobs and the tax base when nuclear power plants close can be severe. In my district, if the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Plant closes, it will mean the loss of 700 highly paid skilled 900 megawatt nuclear industry workers. And for every 100 nuclear power