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House of Representatives

The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. ADERHOLT).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

April 5, 2018.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ROBERT B. ADERHOLT to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

PAUL D. RYAN,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Timothy P. Kesicki, S.J., Jesuit Conference Washington, D.C. offered the following prayer:

Dear Lord, as we meet during this holy season, we are reminded what the American writer and theologian, Frederick Buechner, said of Easter. "Nothing, no horror can happen that can permanently, irrevocably quench the presence of holiness that is always there 'underneath the everlasting arms.'"

We gather as a Nation this day to place ourselves in the protection of Your everlasting arms. We look out at Your creation, budding new with life from every window, reminding us that as You have raised Your Son to new life, You will continue to raise up all who turn to You.

You can turn fear into promise, despair into hope, defeat into victory, and remind us that new life still flows in spite of everything. This is the joy of Easter. This is Your gift to us this day. May we live and proclaim this new life in all that we say and do.

We pray, amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution

796, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUALS TO THE WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 431(a)(3) of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public Law 115-31), and the order of the House of January 3, 2017, of the following individuals on the part of the House to the Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission:

Ms. Rebbecca Kleefisch, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

Ms. Heather Higgins, New York, New York

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(b) of House Resolution 796, the House stands adjourned until Monday, April 9, 2018, at 11 a.m.

Thereupon (at 12 o'clock and 10 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, April 9, 2018, at 11 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

4353. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pension Ben-

efit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

4354. A letter from the Acting Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a Renewal of Determination of a Public Health Emergency from the consequences of Hurricane Maria on the Territory of the U.S. Virgin Islands, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 247d(a); July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title III, Sec. 319(a) (as amended by Public Law 107-188, Sec. 144(a)); (116 Stat. 630); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4355. A letter from the Chief, Pricing Policy Division, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Connect America Fund [WC Docket No.: 10-90]; ETC Annual Reports and Certifications [WC Docket No.: 14-58]; Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime [CC Docket No.: 01-92] received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4356. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting a report certifying that the export of the listed item to the People's Republic of China is not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2778 note; Public Law 105-261, Sec. 1512 (as amended by Public Law 105-277, Sec. 146); (112 Stat. 2174); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4357. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the national emergency with respect to Somalia, originally declared on April 12, 2010, by Executive Order 13536, is to continue in effect beyond April 12, 2018, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 202(d); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 115-110); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

4358. A letter from the Acting Deputy Director, Office of Legislative Intergovernmental and Public Affairs, Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia, transmitting a notification of a federal vacancy, and designation of acting officer, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614);

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to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4359. A letter from the Acting Assistant General Counsel (GLER), Department of the Treasury, transmitting a notification of a federal vacancy, nomination, and action on nomination, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4360. A letter from the Director, Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting the Agency's 2017 No FEAR Act report to Congress, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4361. A letter from the Deputy Liaison, Institute for Education Science, Department of Education, transmitting a notification of an action on nomination, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4362. A letter from the Deputy White House Liaison, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting a notification of a nomination, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4363. A letter from the Board Secretary, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting the Board's Fiscal Year 2017 No FEAR Act annual report to Congress, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4364. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final temporary rule — Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic Region; Temporary Measures to Reduce Overfishing of Golden Tilefish [Docket No.: 170828813-7999-02] (RIN: 0648-BH15) received March 21, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

4365. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the seventh annual report to Congress pursuant to the Emmett Till Unsolved Civil Rights Crime Act of 2007, and first Annual Report to Congress pursuant to the Emmett Till Unsolved Civil Rights Crimes Reauthorization Act of 2016, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 509 note; Public Law 110-344, Sec. 3(c)(2); (122 Stat. 3935); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4366. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, transmitting one of thirteen legislative proposals that support the President's Fiscal Year 2019 Budget request; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4367. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Ohio River, Letart, WV [Docket No.: USCG-2018-0075] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4368. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Monte Foundation Snowfest Fireworks, Tahoe City, Lake Tahoe, CA [Docket No.: USCG-2018-0117] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received March 26,

2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4369. A letter from the Attorney, CG-LRA, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Sturgeon Bay, Sturgeon Bay, WI [Docket No.: USCG-2017-0050] (RIN: 1625-AA09) received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4370. A letter from the Attorney, CG-LRA, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Black River, Port Huron, MI [Docket No.: USCG-2017-1047] (RIN: 1625-AA09) received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4371. A letter from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Monetary Threshold for Reporting Rail Equipment Accidents/Incidents for Calendar Year 2018 [FRA-2008-0136, Notice No.: 10] (RIN: 2130-ZA16) received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4372. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace; Berlin, NH [Docket No.: FAA-2017-0848; Airspace Docket No.: 13-ANE-2] received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4373. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Revocation of Class E Airspace; Centerville, MD [Docket No.: FAA-2017-0822; Airspace Docket No.: 17-AEA-10] received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4374. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2017-0900; Product Identifier 2017-NM-055-AD; Amendment 39-19208; AD 2018-04-12] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4375. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Safran Helicopter Engines, S.A., Turboshift Engines [Docket No.: FAA-2018-0084; Product Identifier 2018-NE-02-AD; Amendment 39-19212; AD 2018-05-03] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4376. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Helicopters [Docket No.: FAA-2016-5019; Product Identifier 2015-SW-079-AD; Amendment 39-19210; AD 2018-05-01] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121,

Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4377. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Helicopters [Docket No.: FAA-2017-0826; Product Identifier 2016-SW-084-AD; Amendment 39-19204; AD 2018-01-12 R1] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. S. 825. An act to provide for the conveyance of certain property to the Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium located in Sitka, Alaska, and for other purposes (Rept. 115-619 Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. HENSARLING: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 3179. A bill to require the appropriate Federal banking agencies, when issuing certain prudential regulations that are substantively more stringent than a corresponding international prudential standard to publish the rationale for doing so and a cost-benefit analysis of the difference, and for other purposes (Rept. 115-620). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. HENSARLING: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 4790. A bill to amend the Volcker rule to give the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System sole rule-making authority, to exclude community banks from the requirements of the Volcker rule, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 115-621). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 4921. A bill to require the Surface Board of Transportation to implement certain recommendations of the Inspector General of the Department of Transportation; with amendments (Rept. 115-622). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 4925. A bill to require the Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration to implement certain recommendations for management and collection of railroad safety data (Rept. 115-623). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on Energy and Commerce discharged from further consideration. S. 825 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. YOUNG of Iowa (for himself and Mrs. NOEM):

H.R. 5426. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to with respect to conservation innovation grants and payments, and

for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. MARINO:

H.R. 5427. A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to give a public safety and community policing grant preference for applicants prioritizing the hiring of school resource officers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CASTRO of Texas (for himself and Mr. TURNER):

H.R. 5428. A bill to impose sanctions on certain persons responsible for the March 12, 2018, attack on Sergei and Yulia Skripal, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. GIANFORTE (for himself, Mr. LOEBACK, and Mr. DUFFY):

H.R. 5429. A bill to reauthorize the rural emergency medical services training and equipment assistance program under section 330J of the Public Health Service Act; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Miss GONZALEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico (for herself and Mr. SOTO):

H.R. 5430. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to treat Puerto Rico as part of the United States for purposes of determining whether property qualifies for treatment as a like-kind exchange; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HIGGINS of New York:

H.R. 5431. A bill to amend title VII of the Social Security Act to require the President to transmit the annual budget of the Social Security Administration without revisions to Congress, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HIMES:

H.R. 5432. A bill to deauthorize a water resources project at Bridgeport Harbor, Connecticut; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. TED LIEU of California (for himself and Mr. YOHO):

H.R. 5433. A bill to require the Secretary of State to design and establish a Vulnerability Disclosure Program (VDP) to improve Department of State cybersecurity and a bug bounty program to identify and report vulnerabilities of internet-facing information technology of the Department of State, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. TED LIEU of California:

H.R. 5434. A bill to restrict the use of funds for kinetic military operations in North Korea; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. MESSER:

H.R. 5435. A bill to require Federal agencies to allocate grant funding to States and localities based on the number of United States citizens and legal residents as determined under the decennial census, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 5436. A bill to amend title 11, District of Columbia Official Code, to provide that grand and petit jurors serving in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia shall receive fees and expenses at the same rates paid to grand and petit jurors appearing in the district courts of the United States; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. KEATING (for himself and Mr. POE of Texas):

H. Res. 810. A resolution reaffirming the trade and investment partnership between the United States and the European Union is critical to the economic and national security of the United States; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

173. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Georgia, relative to House Resolution 1089, urging the United States Congress to pass the federal "Marketplace Fairness Act" in support of equity and sales tax fairness; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. YOUNG of Iowa:

H.R. 5426.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18.

By Mr. MARINO:

H.R. 5427.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. CASTRO of Texas:

H.R. 5428.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

THE U.S. CONSTITUTION
ARTICLE I, SECTION 8: POWERS OF CONGRESS CLAUSE 18

The Congress shall have power . . . To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers, and all other powers vested by this Constitution in the government of the United States, or in any department or officer thereof.

By Mr. GIANFORTE:

H.R. 5429.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8,

By Miss GONZALEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico:

H.R. 5430.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clauses 1 and 3, and 18 of the U.S. Constitution, which provide as follows:

The Congress shall have Power to lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defen[s]e and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.

To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes, and

To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

Further, the Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to Article IV, Section 3, which provides, in relevant part, as follows:

The Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States; and nothing in this Constitution shall be so construed as to Prejudice any Claims of the United States, or of any particular State.

By Mr. HIGGINS of New York:

H.R. 5431.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, clause 18 allows Congress to make all laws "which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution" any "other" powers vested by the Constitution in the Government of the United States.

By Mr. HIMES:

H.R. 5432.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 3 of Section 8 of Article I of the U.S. Constitution.

By Mr. TED LIEU of California:

H.R. 5433.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. TED LIEU of California:

H.R. 5434.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I Section VIII

By Mr. MESSER:

H.R. 5435.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, section 8, "To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers, and all other powers vested by this Constitution in the government of the United States, or in any department or officer thereof."

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 5436.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: clause 17 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

- H.R. 93: Mr. DEFAZIO.
- H.R. 103: Mr. TIPTON.
- H.R. 202: Mr. CLAY, Ms. ADAMS, and Mr. CROWLEY.
- H.R. 299: Mr. BEYER.
- H.R. 389: Mr. AGUILAR, Ms. BARRAGÁN, and Mr. PALLONE.
- H.R. 898: Mr. MOONEY of West Virginia.
- H.R. 1017: Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH, Mr. HULTGREN, Mr. HARRIS, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, and Mr. BEYER.
- H.R. 1057: Mr. BLUM and Mr. KEATING.
- H.R. 1300: Miss RICE of New York.
- H.R. 1318: Ms. NORTON and Mr. LEVIN.
- H.R. 1445: Ms. VELÁZQUEZ.
- H.R. 1676: Mr. AMODEI and Mrs. LOWEY.
- H.R. 1739: Ms. SHEA-PORTER.
- H.R. 1861: Mr. SUOZZI and Mr. CRIST.
- H.R. 1898: Mr. CURBELO of Florida.
- H.R. 1904: Mr. RASKIN.
- H.R. 1911: Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico and Mr. CURBELO of Florida.
- H.R. 2059: Mr. PETERS.
- H.R. 2147: Mr. DENHAM.
- H.R. 2259: Mr. LAWSON of Florida and Mr. MEEHAN.
- H.R. 2290: Mr. KHANNA, Mr. O'ROURKE, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. MOORE, and Mr. COHEN.

H.R. 2321: Mr. WELCH, Ms. HANABUSA, and Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York.

H.R. 2472: Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 2688: Mr. O'ROURKE.

H.R. 2712: Mr. CURBELO of Florida.

H.R. 2889: Mr. CURBELO of Florida.

H.R. 3030: Mr. CURBELO of Florida, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, and Mr. BEYER.

H.R. 3045: Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio.

H.R. 3048: Mr. QUIGLEY.

H.R. 3175: Mr. COHEN.

H.R. 3197: Ms. MCCOLLUM and Mr. MARCHANT.

H.R. 3207: Mr. BEYER, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. HASTINGS, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. RUSH, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. ESHOO, and Mr. TONKO.

H.R. 3528: Ms. DEGETTE and Mr. YARMUTH.

H.R. 3642: Mr. MCKINLEY.

H.R. 3654: Mr. COOPER, Mr. NEAL, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, and Ms. MENG.

H.R. 3671: Ms. CLARKE of New York.

H.R. 3773: Mrs. LOWEY.

H.R. 3984: Ms. JAYAPAL.

H.R. 4094: Mr. LANGEVIN and Mr. NORCROSS.

H.R. 4099: Mr. DENHAM, Mr. KNIGHT, Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana, Mrs. MIMI WALTERS of California, and Mr. LIPINSKI.

H.R. 4122: Mr. COFFMAN.

H.R. 4379: Mr. DEFazio.

H.R. 4635: Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico.

H.R. 4706: Mr. BARR and Mr. FARENTHOLD.

H.R. 4724: Mr. DOGGETT.

H.R. 4747: Ms. KAPTUR.

H.R. 4790: Mr. FOSTER, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, and Mr. HULTGREN.

H.R. 4793: Ms. STEFANIK.

H.R. 4838: Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico.

H.R. 4915: Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia.

H.R. 4932: Ms. DELAURO.

H.R. 5012: Mr. PERRY and Mr. GAETZ.

H.R. 5104: Ms. LOFGREN and Mr. DEFazio.

H.R. 5187: Mr. CUMMINGS.

H.R. 5226: Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. LEE, Mr. PANNETTA, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. MCEACHIN, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. DESAULNIER, and Mr. SMITH of Washington.

H.R. 5242: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER.

H.R. 5243: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER.

H.R. 5244: Mr. MCGOVERN.

H.R. 5248: Mr. MACARTHUR.

H.R. 5271: Mr. GRJALVA.

H.R. 5337: Ms. BORDALLO.

H.R. 5348: Mr. COOK.

H.R. 5369: Mr. WILLIAMS and Mr. JONES.

H.R. 5374: Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. SCHRADER, Mr. RUSH, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. BEYER, Mr. LOEBSACK, Mr. ENGEL, Ms. KAPTUR, and Mr. CURBELO of Florida.

H.R. 5393: Mr. GALLEGRO.

H.R. 5413: Mr. CURBELO of Florida.

H.J. Res. 1: Ms. TENNEY and Mr. JENKINS of West Virginia.

H.J. Res. 2: Mr. WALDEN, Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, Mr. JENKINS of West Virginia, Mr. SMITH of Missouri, Mr. BUCHANAN, Ms. TENNEY, and Mr. CRAMER.

H.J. Res. 48: Mr. POLIS.

H. Con. Res. 13: Mr. ESTES of Kansas.

H. Con. Res. 31: Mr. WEBER of Texas.

H. Con. Res. 72: Mr. POE of Texas.

H. Res. 31: Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia.

H. Res. 128: Mr. SARBANES, Mr. KILMER, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. PETERS, Mr. COOPER, and Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY.

H. Res. 750: Mr. WELCH.

H. Res. 763: Mr. CICILLINE.

H. Res. 783: Mr. GAETZ and Ms. SPEIER.

H. Res. 786: Mrs. LOWEY, Mrs. DEMINGS, and Mr. BISHOP of Utah.

H. Res. 798: Ms. NORTON, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. BARRAGAN, and Mr. ESPAILLAT.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 3 of rule XII, petitions and papers were laid on the clerk's desk and referred as follows:

90. The SPEAKER presented a petition of the Town of North Carrollton, MS, Mayor, and Board of Aldermen, relative to a petition in support of recognition of Rev. Billy Graham by setting of a national holiday to re-member him; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

91. Also, a petition of the New Orleans, LA, City Council, relative to Resolution No. R-18-69, strongly opposing H.R. 38 and S. 446 and any other attempts to undermine Louisiana state laws; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

92. Also, a petition of the Miami, Florida City Commission, relative to Resolution No. R-18-0076, urging the United States Congress to pass House of Representatives Bill 3999 or similar legislation to prohibit the manufacture, sale, and possession of "bump stocks" and similar firearm components or accessories; urging Congress and the Florida legislature to pass legislation that would hold unethical gun dealers accountable; and urging the Federal and state governments to conduct or sponsor research into "smart" gun safety technology; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

93. Also, a petition of Mr. Gregory D. Watson, a citizen of Austin, TX, relative to urging Congress to enact legislation that would exempt from Federal income taxation pension disbursements, totaling less than \$80,000 annually, made to retirees of state and local governments; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.



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The Senate met at 11:30 and 21 seconds a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable TODD YOUNG, a Senator from the State of Indiana.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH).

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, April 5, 2018.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TODD YOUNG, a Senator from the State of Indiana, to perform the duties of the Chair.

ORRIN G. HATCH,
President pro tempore.

Mr. YOUNG thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY,
APRIL 9, 2018, AT 3 P.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 3 p.m. on Monday, April 9, 2018.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 11:30 and 51 seconds a.m., adjourned until Monday, April 9, 2018, at 3 p.m.

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THANKING ELENI ROUMEL FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE HOUSE

HON. PAUL D. RYAN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize Eleni M. Roumel, who is leaving the House to become the Deputy Counsel to the Vice President of the United States. Ms. Roumel has served in the House's Office of General Counsel for more than five years as an Assistant General Counsel. During her tenure, Ms. Roumel played a crucial role in safeguarding the legal and institutional interests of the House of Representatives, particularly in connection with federal court litigation involving issues of great institutional importance. Specifically, Ms. Roumel was instrumental in the formation and presentation of the House's powerful legal arguments in United States House of Representatives v. Burwell, the groundbreaking litigation protecting the House's constitutional prerogative to appropriate federal funds. In addition, Ms. Roumel provided invaluable legal advice and representation to Committees of the House, including in connection with Committee on Oversight and Government Reform v. Holder, which involves civil enforcement of the House's constitutionally-based oversight authority against the Attorney General of the United States.

Ms. Roumel's work on behalf of the House has been of the highest caliber and I have no doubt that the Vice President will benefit from her exceptional legal counsel. On behalf of the entire House community, I thank Ms. Roumel for her dedicated service, and wish for her the very best in all of her future endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO WARD UмбаUGH

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Ward Umbaugh, of Adair, Iowa for earning the American FFA Degree. Ward was recently awarded this degree at the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis. Ward was the first member of the AC/GC FFA Chapter to receive the award. He is the son of Gretchen and Bill Umbaugh.

The American FFA Degree is awarded to members who have demonstrated the highest level of commitment to FFA and made significant accomplishments in their supervised agricultural experience. Ward had to meet certain requirements, such as studying agriculture for three years in high school, earning money in an agriculture field and investing that money into their business, participation in community

service and having a record of outstanding leadership ability and community involvement. The work toward this degree involved many years of hard work and dedication in agricultural pursuits.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to represent leaders like Ward in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud him for utilizing his talents to reach his goals. I invite my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in congratulating him on receiving this esteemed designation, and wishing him the best of luck in all his future endeavors.

IN RECOGNITION OF IAN DONAHUE ON HIS OFFER OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Ian Donahue of Sylvania, Ohio has been offered an appointment to the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland.

Ian's offer of appointment permits him to attend the United States Naval Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2022. Attending one of our nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country, but also guarantees a world-class education while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of a lifetime.

Ian brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2022. While attending Northview High School in Sylvania, Ohio, Ian served as President of the National Honors Society, and participated in student government, World Language Club, and Spanish Honors Society.

Throughout high school, Ian participated in football and was captain for the lacrosse team, earning varsity letters in both sports. Ian was also involved in student council and Interact. I am confident that Ian will carry the lessons of his student and athletic leadership to the Naval Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Ian Donahue on his offer of appointment to the United States Naval Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I am positive that Ian will excel during his career at the Naval Academy, and I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to him as he begins his service to our Nation.

COACH THOMAS NAMED 2018 COACH OF THE YEAR

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Albert Thomas for being named Coach of the Year by the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC).

Coach Thomas led the Missouri City Elkins High School Knights to their sixth district championship in his 13 years as coach. The Knights have qualified for the playoffs 11 times and have won eight area championships under Thomas. He has also taught mathematics for 30 years. Thomas was presented with the award on April 1st at the annual NABC Guardians of the Game Awards Show in San Antonio. He has also been named district coach of the year four times.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Coach Albert Thomas for being named the 2018 Coach of the Year. I thank him for his dedication to our education system and for sharing his passion for basketball with our students.

THE OCCASION OF THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ASSASSINATION OF THE REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, April 4, 2018 marks the 50th anniversary of one of the darkest and most sorrowful days in American history, the assassination in Memphis, Tennessee of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The mortal life of one of the towering figures of the 20th century may have been cut short on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel a half century ago, but the spirit that animated that life and inspired a nation lives on and reminds us that nothing is impossible when we are guided by the better angels of our nature.

In remembering the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., we commemorate a man of action, who put his life on the line for freedom and justice every day.

We honor the courage of a man who endured harassment, threats beatings, and even bombings.

We celebrate the man who went to jail 29 times to achieve freedom for others, and who knew he would pay the ultimate price for his leadership, but kept on marching and protesting and organizing anyway.

Dr. King once said that we all have to decide whether we "will walk in the light of creative altruism or the darkness of destructive selfishness."

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"Life's most persistent and nagging question," he said, is "what are you doing for others?"

And when Dr. King talked about the end of his mortal life in one of his last sermons, on February 4, 1968 in the pulpit of Ebenezer Baptist Church, even then he lifted up the value of service as the hallmark of a full life:

"I'd like somebody to mention on that day Martin Luther King, Jr. tried to give his life serving others," he said. "I want you to say on that day, that I did try in my life . . . to love and serve humanity."

We should also remember that the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was, above all, a person who was always willing to speak truth to power.

There is perhaps no better example of Dr. King's moral integrity and consistency than his criticism of the Vietnam War being waged by the Johnson Administration, an administration that was otherwise a friend and champion of civil and human rights.

Martin Luther King, Jr. was born in Atlanta, Georgia on January 15, 1929.

Martin's youth was spent in our country's Deep South, then run by Jim Crow and the Ku Klux Klan.

For young African-Americans, it was an environment even more dangerous than the one they face today.

A young Martin managed to find a dream, one that he pieced together from his readings—in the Bible, and literature, and just about any other book he could get his hands on.

Not only did those books help him educate himself, but they also allowed him to work through the destructive and traumatic experiences of blatant discrimination, and the discriminatory abuse inflicted on himself, his family, and his people.

As a youngster, Dr. King learned to use his imagination and his dreams to see right through those "White Only" signs—to see the reality that all men, and women, regardless of their place of origin, their gender, or their creed, are created equal.

Dr. King was a dreamer and through dreams he was able to lift his mind beyond the reality of his segregated society to a beloved place where it was possible that white and black, red and brown, and all others live, work, and prosper together in harmony.

But the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was not an idle daydreamer.

He shared his visions through speeches that motivated others to join in his nonviolent effort to lift themselves from poverty and isolation by creating a new America where equal justice and institutions were facts of life.

In the Declaration of Independence in 1776, Thomas Jefferson wrote, "We hold these truths to be self evident, that all Men are Created Equal."

At that time and for centuries to come, African-Americans were historically, culturally, and legally excluded from inclusion in that declaration.

Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King's "I Have a Dream" Speech, delivered 54 years ago, on August 28, 1963, was a clarion call to each citizen of this great nation that we still hear today.

His request was simply and eloquently conveyed—he asked America to allow of its citizens to live out the words written in its Declaration of Independence and to have a place in this nation's Bill of Rights.

The 1960s were a time of great crisis and conflict.

It was the decade of the Cuban Missile Crisis, the Vietnam War, and the assassinations of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, Malcolm X, Presidential Candidate Robert Kennedy, and the man we honor here today.

The dream expressed and shared by the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. helped win major victories in the battle for civil rights.

It started when Dr. King led the Montgomery Bus Boycott, with Rosa Parks and others, which lasted for 381 days, and ended when the United States Supreme Court outlawed racial segregation on all public transportation.

But the dream did not die there.

It continued with a peaceful march for suffrage that started in Selma, Alabama on March 7, 1965, a day that was immediately known and will always be remembered as "Bloody Sunday," when a peaceful march for voting rights ended in bloodshed and violence at the hands of law enforcement officers as the marchers crossed the Edmund Pettus Bridge.

When the life of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was stolen from us, he was a very young 39 years old.

People remember that Dr. King died in Memphis, but few can remember why he was there.

On that fateful day in 1968 Dr. King came to Memphis to support a strike by the city's sanitation workers.

The garbage men there had recently formed a chapter of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees to demand better wages and working conditions.

But the city refused to recognize their union, and when the 1,300 employees walked off their jobs the police broke up the rally with mace and Billy clubs.

It was then that union leaders invited Dr. King to Memphis.

Despite the danger he might face entering such a volatile situation, it was an invitation he could not refuse.

Not because he longed for danger, but because the labor movement was intertwined with the civil rights movement for which he had given up so many years of his life.

The death of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., will never overshadow his life.

That is his legacy as a dreamer and a man of action. It is a legacy of hope, tempered with peace.

It is a legacy not quite yet fulfilled.

I hope that Dr. King's vision of equality under the law is never lost to us, because without that vision—without that dream—we can never continue to improve on the human condition.

The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. understood that a life well lived, and all of the noblest virtues—courage, wisdom, grace, love—were rooted in service to others.

And he memorably expressed this idea in his last sermon, the one given at Mason Temple in Memphis on April 3, 1968, the evening before he was felled by an assassin:

"But then the Good Samaritan came by. And he reversed the question: 'If I do not stop to help this man, what will happen to him?'"

"That's the question before you tonight. Not, 'If I stop to help the sanitation workers, what will happen to my job. Not, 'If I stop to help the sanitation workers what will happen to all of the hours that I usually spend in my office

every day and every week as a pastor?' The question is not, 'If I stop to help this man in need, what will happen to me?' The question is, 'If I do not stop to help the sanitation workers, what will happen to them?' That's the question.

"Let us rise up tonight with a greater readiness. Let us stand with a greater determination. And let us move on in these powerful days, these days of challenge to make America what it ought to be. We have an opportunity to make America a better nation. And I want to thank God, once more, for allowing me to be here with you."

So in these difficult days of challenge, let us remember and take inspiration from the remarkable, extraordinary, and consequential life of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and move forward together, with greater readiness and determination, to make America a place where all of her people enjoy the blessings of justice, equality, and human dignity.

Let us, the living, continue that struggle today and forever, in the incandescent spirit of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

I ask the House to observe a moment of silence in memory of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

IN RECOGNITION OF CHARISE
McHUGH

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Charise McHugh, an outstanding community leader and entrepreneur who has led the Half Moon Bay Chamber of Commerce and Visitors' Bureau for the last 22 years. Charise will retire from that role in the fall but she will leave behind a legacy that will continue to shape the fabric of the Coastside for decades to come. I have been privileged to work with Charise for all these years and to call her a friend. She has always amazed me with her energy and can-do philosophy.

Half Moon Bay has about 12,000 residents and the unincorporated county areas nearby has again that many residents. During her time with the Chamber in this charming coastal region, Charise has achieved a remarkable and diverse list of accomplishments. She founded the Hotel BID and the only broad-based ecotourism program in the state. She started the Coastside Emergency Action Program, a disaster preparedness plan for San Mateo County and she was instrumental in bringing STEM Robotics to local schools. Charise also deserves credit for producing the Silver Medal Award Business Directory. Half Moon Bay residents and visitors can thank her for starting bus service on the coast, for planting Highway 1 medians and for getting the attractive directional signs on Main Street installed.

Charise loves her home town and the coast with a passion that is infectious. Her inexhaustible creativity and hard work have resulted in a Chamber membership that has soared from 330 businesses to 720 businesses during her tenure. Chamber mixers are highly popular. Charise will tell you that she enjoys her job so much because it is so diverse, but in truth she is the one who is making it diverse. She works with businesses,

non-profits and government and is a masterful networker. She has her hands in publishing, website design, video production, event planning, business development, beautification, hospitality, you name it. There is no task Charise won't tackle.

A San Mateo County native, Charise earned her BA from Notre Dame de Namur University and the University of California, Davis. She has been married to her beloved husband Jack for 35 years and they have three children, Byron, Tamara and Josh, and six grandchildren, Annabelle, Sadie, Jacob, Chloe, Jaden and Asha.

Charise announced that she will retire this year, but she won't leave her post until she can help one more time with the Pumpkin Festival, one of Half Moon Bay's signature events that draws hundreds of thousands of people to the coast. After that, she will do some consulting work. That is Charise, never idle and always engaged.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to rise with me to honor Charise McHugh for her exceptional service to her community. She has transformed the Chamber of Commerce into a powerhouse that has helped make Half Moon Bay into a destination. Residents and visitors alike benefit from her contributions every day and will continue to do so for years to come.

RECOGNIZING THE CAREER OF MR. SETH ADAMS

HON. MARK DeSAULNIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. DESAULNIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the many accomplishments of Seth Adams as Save Mount Diablo's (SMD) Land Conservation Director. During his twenty-five years of work at Save Mount Diablo, Mr. Adams has played a large role in shaping the conservation movement in the East Bay. During his tenure, SMD has assisted in the preservation of more than 100,000 acres of open space in eastern Alameda and Contra Costa counties, successfully reintroduced the peregrine falcons at Mt. Diablo, and aided in the development of hundreds of millions of dollars of conservation funding.

Mr. Adams began his career of conservation service in the East Bay after moving to Berkeley in 1981 and volunteering for the campaign against the Peripheral Canal in the Delta. He then joined SMD as its first hired staff member. Under his guidance, SMD has championed efforts of restoration and stewardship, aiming to preserve, defend, and restore the remaining 70,000 acres on Mount Diablo and its foothills.

Mr. Adams's commitment to promoting the success and well-being of Contra Costa's nature and wildlife is deeply appreciated by the community he serves, and he should be proud of SMD's many notable accomplishments during his tenure.

I thank Mr. Adams for his service and congratulate him on his 30th work anniversary.

KISD BRINGS HOME 3 GOLD MEDALS IN STATE WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate three TX-22 Katy Independent School District (ISD) state wrestling champions—Kayla De Leon, Gabi Holloway and Daniel Manibog.

Cinco Ranch High School's Kayla De Leon finished her senior season with an individual gold medal and a 35–2 record. Gabi Holloway, a junior at Seven Lakes High School, finished off an undefeated 9–0 season with a gold medal. Daniel Manibog, a repeated state champion from Katy High School, also received a gold medal and pinned his final match in 45 seconds. Each of these students has made Katy and all of Texas proud!

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to each of you on your accomplishments. I look forward to seeing what you will accomplish in the future.

TRIBUTE TO LIZ SKILLERN

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize and congratulate Liz Skillern of Shenandoah, Iowa for her selection as the Valley News' 2017 Person of the Year. Liz is a teacher and coach at Shenandoah High School in Shenandoah.

Liz is a native of Aurelia, Iowa. She attended Northwest University and earned a degree in education and coaching. She has taught various subjects over the years and has been instrumental in starting cross-country programs in several schools. Liz has been very successful coaching girls cross-country programs and leading them to state qualifying events. She has a reputation of fostering dedicated and hardworking athletes and has earned the respect of her students.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud and congratulate Liz for earning this award. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Liz for her many accomplishments in education and coaching and in wishing her nothing but continued success.

RECOGNIZING DR. JOYCE GATES BLACK

HON. PATRICK MEEHAN

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. MEEHAN. Mr. Speaker, today I recognize Dr. Joy Gates Black, President of Delaware County Community College (DCCC)—the first female, as well as the first African-American, President to lead the institution in its 50 year history.

Dr. Gates Black has worked tirelessly to promote students' success, ensuring they have a clear path to graduation and are equipped with the skills a modern workforce demands. Her efforts have made her an exceptionally well respected higher education administrator.

In addition to her experience leading colleges across the country, Dr. Gates Black served our nation honorably in the U.S. Air Force where she developed leadership abilities that now help her lead institutions like DCCC.

Dr. Gates Black is being presented with the Woman of Achievement Award from the Delaware County Women's Commission, an honor she much deserves. I join in recognizing her as a distinguished leader in higher education in Pennsylvania and across the country. I wish Dr. Joy Gates Black many years of continued success at the helm of DCCC.

MOUNTAINS COMMUNITY, SNOW VALLEY AWARDED BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

HON. PAUL COOK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Snow Valley Mountain Resort, which has been named the Lake Arrowhead Communities Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year. Snow Valley is the oldest continually operating ski resort in Southern California, having begun operations in 1924.

Celebrating their 80th year anniversary this 2017–2018 ski season, Snow Valley employs nearly 400 people during their high season. They have consistently contributed and stimulated the local tourist economy of the area. Snow Valley instructors have taught thousands how to ski and snow board at their Learning Center, which includes an Adaptive Learning Facility. Additionally, Snow Valley has been active in the local community by supporting projects including the Active Transportation Project grant program and the Running Springs to Big Bear trail system. The Resort was also one of the driving forces behind the construction of the first hospital in Lake Arrowhead.

On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives, I would like to thank Snow Valley for their contributions to the local economy in Lake Arrowhead, as well as being an important part of the culture, history, and heritage of our local mountain communities.

IN RECOGNITION OF DANIEL WALTON ON HIS OFFER OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Daniel Walton of Perrysburg, Ohio has been

offered an appointment to the United States Military Academy in West Point, New York.

Daniel's offer of appointment permits him to attend the United States Military Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2022. Attending one of our nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country, but also guarantees a world-class education while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of a lifetime.

Daniel brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2022. While attending Perrysburg High School in Perrysburg, Ohio, Daniel was a Summa Cum Laude scholar, Senior Class President, Student Council Representative, and a school tutor.

Throughout high school, Daniel served as a team captain for football, wrestling, and rugby, earning multiple varsity letters. Daniel was also Vice President of DECA, volunteered at the Vision Soup Kitchen and Toledo YES Project, and participated in Buckeye Boys State. I am confident that Daniel will carry the lessons of his student and athletic leadership to the Military Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Daniel Walton on his offer of appointment to the United States Military Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I am positive that Daniel will excel during his career at West Point, and I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to him as he begins his service to our Nation.

TRIBUTE TO PAT AND HOWARD
ELLIOTT

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Pat and Howard Elliott of Farragut, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 65th wedding anniversary.

Pat and Howard's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa values. As they reflect on their 65th anniversary, 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 65th 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.

WORLD CIVILITY DAY ON APRIL
12, 2018

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with great honor and respect that I recognize the Community Civility Counts Initiative as the organization celebrates its third annual World Civility Day on April 12, 2018, along with the Gary Chamber of Commerce, the entire com-

munity of Northwest Indiana, and beyond. World Civility Day is a day in which we are asked to become aware of our behavior towards others and to become mindful of our thoughts, words, and actions. It is a day to remember that we can be better people in every area of life, and to remember that our actions serve as an example for generations to come. In observance of this special event, a day of civility-themed activities will be held at the Indiana Welcome Center in Hammond, and an awards banquet will follow in the evening at the Avalon Manor in Merrillville.

In 2015, Chuck Hughes, Executive Director of the Gary Chamber of Commerce, and Dr. Gordon E. Bradshaw, Chairman of the Public Policy Committee, worked together through the Gary Chamber to create the Civility Counts Initiative. The organization's mission is to build public awareness of civility and to help transform communities through positive programs and relationships. The Initiative works to raise the consciousness level of individuals and groups of people, as so many of us face incidents of disrespect, intolerance, bullying, or violence. For striving to make a difference in our communities, the organization and its supporters are worthy of the highest praise.

The Initiative has been overwhelmingly successful and recognized throughout many communities. Civility Resolutions have been approved by many local municipal councils including those in Gary, Hammond, Valparaiso, La Porte, and Lake County. In addition, Civility Resolutions have also been approved by the Indiana House of Representatives and the Indiana Senate. Support for the Initiative has grown tremendously with numerous organizations and individuals dedicating their time and resources to this great cause year after year.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my other colleagues to join me in honoring and congratulating the Community Civility Counts Initiative and in celebrating World Civility Day. The significance of this movement will have a positive impact on generation after generation. For their influence, passion, and dedication to the community of Northwest Indiana and beyond, the leaders and supporters of the Community Civility Counts Initiative are to be commended.

HONORING ANTHONY A. SCARPINO,
JR.

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a true community servant and friend, District Attorney Anthony Scarpino. This year, Anthony is being honored with the Man of the Year award by MPAC at their Third Annual Gala and I too would like to honor him on the occasion.

Tony, as he is better known, was born and raised in the City of Mount Vernon where he attended public school. After graduating, he attended the University of Connecticut and then Syracuse University College of Law where he earned his Juris Doctor Degree. After law school, Tony returned to his home where he began his career as an Assistant Corporation Counsel for the City of Mount Vernon. In 1977, he left local government and joined the FBI as a Special Agent. In 1984, at

the age of thirty-two, Tony was appointed Acting Mount Vernon City Court Judge earning him the distinction of being the youngest judge in the city's history. Then in 1988, Tony was elected Westchester County Court Judge.

In 1993, Tony was elected to the New York State Supreme Court for the Ninth Judicial District before being elected Westchester County Surrogate in 2000, a post to which he was re-elected to in 2010. In 2015, Tony stepped down to join the private law firm DelBello, Donnellan, Weingarten, Wise & Wiederkehr LLP, leaving the bench for the first time in thirty years. He was then elected Westchester County District Attorney in 2016, where he has since served with great distinction.

Tony has dedicated his career to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice. He has been an inspiration, a dedicated public servant, and I want to congratulate him on receiving this wonderful honor.

THE UPCOMING 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GOOD FRIDAY AGREEMENT—MANY ACHIEVEMENTS, YET IMPORTANT PROVISIONS NOT YET IMPLEMENTED

HON. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, on March 22 I chaired a hearing at the Helsinki Commission on the achievements, with a special focus on the unfinished business, of the April 10, 1998 Good Friday Agreement. As Members know so well, the signing of the Good Friday Agreement 20 years ago was truly historic, extraordinarily difficult to achieve, a remarkable framework for peace, and the hope for beginning of reconciliation.

In its most important provisions, the agreement launched a series of challenging protocols, by which the leaders of the nationalist and unionist communities in Northern Ireland agreed to a better governance, and peaceful resolution of differences. Prisoner releases, new government structures, British demilitarization of the North, the decommissioning of paramilitary weapons and systemic police reform were achieved to varying degrees over the last 20 years. In the 30 years between 1969 and 1998, approximately 3,500 people were killed in political violence, while in the 20 years since the Good Friday Agreement fewer than 100 have lost their lives.

I have personally chaired 16 congressional hearings and markups of legislation on human rights issues in Northern Ireland, most of them with a special focus on police reform and the need to establish a public, independent judicial inquiry into state-sponsored collusion in the murder of human rights attorney Patrick Finucane and others who were gunned down or, in the case of Rosemary Nelson, killed by a bomb. I also offered legislation that was adopted by the House of Representatives that put the House on record condemning violence and promoting peace and justice in Northern Ireland and police reform. And I just recently introduced H. Res. 777 which calls for a recommitment of the United States, the British, and all parties, including the Republic of Ireland, to the peace process.

The most contentious of my amendments over the years, one of which became law, resulted in suspending all U.S. support for and exchanges with the British police force in Northern Ireland, the Royal Ulster Constabulary, or RUC, until standards were met to vet RUC officers who engaged in human rights abuses. Those new standards were set and eventually then-President Bush was able to certify, in accordance with my law, that human rights principles were part of police training going forward, both in the RUC and in its reformed successor, the Police Service of Northern Ireland, or PSNI. With the improvements, the police exchanges were resumed.

That is the good news. But as the 20th anniversary of the Good Friday Agreement milestone approaches, serious attention and effort to be paid to achieving the dream. First and foremost, the government in Northern Ireland seems unable to consistently function or even constitute itself. Also, after 20 years, despite many obvious successes and benefits of the Good Friday Agreement, and although no one wants to scrap it, no one would want to return to the killing, the reconciliation to some extent has stalled. One of the reasons is that long-standing cases have not been resolved.

Geraldine Finucane, widow of murdered human rights lawyer Patrick Finucane, submitted testimony for my March 22nd hearing. And she points out, and I quote in part, "My family has campaigned for a public inquiry into Pat's murder, but the British government has repeatedly failed to establish one. Instead, they have instigated one confined investigation after another, claiming to want to examine the facts or get to the truth, but always in a process conducted away from public view. One cannot but wonder at the pointlessness of conducting investigation after investigation that are doomed to fail, no matter how forceful the conclusions, because they lack the transparency required to attain public confidence."

As Geraldine points out further in her testimony, "the 1998 agreement represent a new beginning that would mark a point from which the new future for everyone in Ireland, north and south, could be launched. What was not appreciated or acknowledged, however, was the fact that moving forward also meant dealing with the past." And of course, that is something that this Commission and my Subcommittee on Human Rights has tried to do for the last 20-plus years.

I would like to just point out too, testimony that's been provided to us by the Committee on the Administration of Justice, again, a very important quote from them, "In a highly disturbing development, and notwithstanding the reality that only a small number of legacy cases relate to British soldiers, a recent report of the Commons Defense Select Committee called for the enactment of a statute of limitations covering all troubles related to incidents involving members of the armed forces. This concept effectively means a selective amnesty for crimes committed by British soldiers." The Commons Defense Select Committee also suggested that it be extended to the RUC and other security force members. This position is, of course, completely contrary to human rights standards and, if were enacted, would probably be found unlawful by the courts. Nevertheless, the U.K. government has said that it will include the proposed in a forthcoming consultation on the implementation of the Stormont House Agreement. That is a dan-

gerous backtracking on the part of the British government. Hopefully it will cease and desist in moving in that direction.

TRIBUTE TO VICKY AND ALAN SEE

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Vicky and Alan See of Peru, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. They celebrated their anniversary on February 3, 2018.

Vicky and Alan's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies our Iowa values. As they reflect on their 50th anniversary, 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 50th 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 and in wishing them both nothing but continued success.

KATY STUDENTS NAMED NATIONAL MERIT FINALISTS

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Tanner Scott and Morgan Long of Katy, TX for being named 2018 National Merit Finalists.

Only 50,000 students out of over 1.6 million are chosen to be National Merit Scholars based on their PSAT/NMSQT scores. The finalists were selected in February and the winners will be announced between April and June. Both Tanner and Morgan are seniors at Harmony School of Innovation and will attend college in the fall. Tanner has committed to Stanford for the class of 2022, where he plans to study biology and pre-medicine. Morgan plans to study physics and will share his college decision at the annual HPS College Acceptance Pep Rally April 19th.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Tanner and Morgan for this great academic accomplishment. I am proud of them and look forward to their future successes.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DAVID ROUZER

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. ROUZER. Mr. Speaker, an unforeseen medical condition prevented me from voting on 2/7/2018. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 61;

YEA on Roll Call No. 62; and YEA on Roll Call No. 63.

CELEBRATING THE BICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF THE TOWN OF MILAN

HON. JOHN J. FASO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. FASO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate the bicentennial anniversary of the founding of Milan, New York. Formerly part of the Little Nine Partners Patent, the Town of Milan was incorporated on March 31, 1818.

For two hundred years, Milan has taken part in the great American experiment, weaving together a diverse community and cultivating a strong civil society. This small bucolic town situated on the northern border of Dutchess County has celebrated many great triumphs of our nation and witnessed the nascent years of America's existence, but has also persevered through times of hardship. The strength and independence that continues to define this town are a result of principles instilled at its founding two centuries ago.

While the area has experienced many changes over the past two hundred years, the town of Milan is always eager to look to the future, but never forgets its past. Milan was built on a foundation of determination and resiliency with a strong community focus and a deep appreciation for a rural lifestyle. These core beliefs continue to guide and distinguish the community today.

This bicentennial anniversary marks a great milestone in Milan's history, and serves as an important time for reflection. On behalf of the 19th Congressional District and the U.S. House of Representatives, I would like to extend my deepest appreciation and congratulations to the town of Milan. As the residents celebrate its 200th birthday, I would like to commend them on the success of their small, thriving community and wish Milan continued prosperity in its next 200 years.

TRIBUTE TO DORIS AND KEN BARTLETT

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Doris and Ken Bartlett of Creston, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 70th wedding anniversary. They celebrated their anniversary on January 16, 2018.

Doris and Ken's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies our Iowa values. As they reflect on their 70th anniversary, 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 and in wishing them both nothing but continued success.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF LINDA BROWN, CIVIL RIGHTS LEADER, PILLAR OF COMMUNITY, AND LEAD PLAINTIFF IN LANDMARK BROWN V. BOARD OF EDUCATION CASE THAT CHANGED AMERICA

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise in remembrance of a civil rights icon, Linda Brown, a schoolchild who transformed the country.

Linda Brown was born on February 20, 1942, in Topeka, Kansas, to Leola and Oliver Brown.

As a schoolgirl Linda Brown, was at the center of the landmark U.S. Supreme Court case that rejected racial segregation in American schools.

Linda Brown was 9 years old in 1951 when her father, Oliver Brown, tried to enroll her at Sumner Elementary School, then an all-white school near her Topeka home.

When the school blocked her enrollment, Oliver Brown partnered with the NAACP and a dozen other plaintiffs to file a lawsuit against the Topeka Board of Education becoming the landmark Supreme Court case, of *Brown v. Board of Education*, 347 U.S. 483 (1954).

By the time of the ruling, Linda Brown was in junior high, a grade level that had been integrated before the 1954 court ruling.

Linda Brown went on to attend Washburn and Kansas State universities.

Linda Brown was always conscious of the importance of standing up for one's Constitutional rights.

Linda Brown realized that with rights, come responsibilities that is why Linda Brown toured the country telling her story and advocating for increased educational opportunity for all Americans.

Faith was also important to Linda Brown because as she knew as the gospel hymn goes, "we've come this far by faith."

While Linda Brown's faith and devotion could be found on display at St. Mark's African Methodist Episcopal Church, where she played piano and taught children how to play.

While Linda Brown's name will forever be a part of American civil rights history, her contributions to the community after the case should be remembered as part of her legacy.

Linda Brown continued to speak out against racial segregation and reopened the Topeka case with the American Civil Liberties Union in 1979, arguing that the district's schools still were not desegregated.

Linda Brown will be missed greatly, but her contributions to America will live on forever.

I ask the House to observe a moment of silence in memory of Linda Brown.

RECOGNIZING LINDA HOULDIN

HON. PATRICK MEEHAN

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. MEEHAN. Mr. Speaker, today I posthumously recognize Linda Houldin of Newtown Square, Pennsylvania. Linda was a long-time resident of Delaware County and a pillar of her community.

She served as the Executive Director of the Delaware County Historical Society and co-founded the Delaware County Veterans Memorial. Linda's countless hours spent helping others left a profound and undeniable impact on everyone around her and the community she loved. She was a strong, passionate, and dedicated woman who touched many lives—particularly veterans, children, and society's most vulnerable.

Linda is to be inducted into the Delaware County Women's Commission Hall of Fame, and rightfully so. She showed us how an individual with energy and commitment to community can enrich the lives of friends and strangers alike.

Her absence will be felt by those who knew her and the many she helped through her generosity and service.

IN RECOGNITION OF CAMERON SMITH ON HIS OFFER OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Cameron Smith of Maumee, Ohio has been offered an appointment to the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland.

Cameron's offer of appointment permits him to attend the United States Naval Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2022. Attending one of our Nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country, but also guarantees a world-class education while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of a lifetime.

Cameron brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2022. While attending Anthony Wayne High School in Whitehouse, Ohio, Cameron served as Student Council treasurer, secretary for the Interact Club, participated in National Honors Society and is ranked fifth in his class.

Throughout high school, Cameron performed in the All-Nationals Honor Band, Symphonic Winds, and OMEA All-State Honor Band. Cameron also served as an officer in the environmental club, is an Eagle Scout, and participated in the Spanish club. I am confident that Cameron will carry the lessons of his student and extra-curricular leadership to the Naval Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Cameron Smith on his offer

of appointment to the United States Naval Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I am positive that Cameron will excel during his career at Naval Academy, and I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to him as he begins his service to our Nation.

TRIBUTE TO LUCILLE AND RON JONES

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Lucille and Ron Jones of Afton, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. They celebrated their anniversary on January 19, 2018.

Lucille and Ron's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies our Iowa values. As they reflect on their 60th anniversary, 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 60 years 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 and in wishing them both nothing but continued success.

HONORING JACQUELINE LINDA BLASDEL

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my friend, Jacqueline Linda Blasdel, who recently passed away at the age of 80 in Greensburg, Indiana.

Jackie married Bill Blasdel on September 27, 1963, and they moved to Greensburg, Indiana in 1968. Bill and Jackie were both very active in the community. Jackie's extraordinary civic leadership included service as president of the American Cancer Society, a founding member of both Tree County Players and Tree City Singers, board member of Tulip Trace Girl Scout Council, Vice Chair of the Decatur County Republican Party, and President of the Chamber of Commerce. Jackie was also a 30 year member of the United Methodist Church and a member of the Greensburg Wesleyan Church.

In 1974, Jackie started the WB Panel company with Bill, which was later incorporated with an industrial oven company to form Blasdel Enterprises. Jackie was the CEO for over 35 years. In 2007, she was awarded the Distinguished Hoosier Award from Governor Mitch Daniels and a state recognition from the Republican Party. In 2010, Jackie and Bill were recognized with the Greensburg Decatur County Chamber of Commerce Community Service Award.

I got to know Jackie during her time as Vice-Chair of the Republican Party. Jackie and

Bill have both been supporters and friends throughout my political career. Jackie was a wise mentor—always encouraging, never ruffled and quick to offer her advice with a smile. I will miss her.

Jackie is survived by her husband, Bill; two sons, Jack (Pam) Blasdel and Tim (Carol) Blasdel; three daughters, Jill Blasdel, Beth (Greg DeWitt) Blasdel, and Becky Blasdel; three grandsons, Todd Blasdel, Matt (Sara) Blasdel, Michael (Brittany Nicole) Blasdel; three granddaughters, Brittany K. Blasdel, Grace Vanderbur and Olivia Vanderbur; four great grandchildren, Miles, Bailey, Malcolm, and Jace Blasdel; two sisters, Eleanor Lorton, and Marjie Bauer; and several nieces and nephews.

MATTHEW SHOCKEY RECOGNIZED
AS SUGAR LAND POLICE OFFICER
OF THE YEAR

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Officer Matthew Shockey for being named the Sugar Land Police Officer of the Year.

An eight-year veteran of the Sugar Land Police Department, Officer Shockey is the Head Firearms Instructor/Rangemaster and oversees the Taser Program and Ti Simulator Training program. He is a Master Explosive Breacher and is also a grant advisor and serves as the agency 1033 Program Liaison. Before pursuing a career as a police officer, Shockey served in the U.S. Marine Corps for four years. He was deployed to Iraq twice and spent the last year of service as a Combat Marksmanship instructor Trainer at the Division Marksmanship Training Unit.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Officer Shockey for this great honor. I thank him for his commitment to keeping our community safe.

FOREIGN POLICY

HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, the United States and its allies are aware that the Russian government is engaging in ongoing information warfare against democracies around the world. Beyond its targeting of the U.S. election systems and critical infrastructure, Russian influence efforts have been reported in the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Serbia, Latvia, Ukraine, Spain, and Mexico, among others. Most recently, the United Kingdom has been attacked physically by Russia through its use of nerve toxins against perceived enemies of Russian President Vladimir Putin on British soil.

The Kremlin needs to hear clearly that we will not tolerate its continuing bad acts.

The Department of Treasury's newest sanctions against the businesses, entities, and

people included in special counsel Robert Mueller's February 16th indictment is an important step in holding Russia accountable for its interference in the American election process. My colleagues and I passed the Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act last summer with this purpose in mind.

The Kremlin Report list published by the Treasury Department currently names businessmen like Yuri Shefler, who has been protecting his company, SPI Group, against Russian attacks for almost twenty years.

I urge the administration to develop a broader policy response to Russian interference in American politics. A strong first step to accomplish this goal is publishing a report on businessmen who are actually close to the Kremlin.

IN RECOGNITION OF AUSTIN STONER
ON HIS OFFER OF APPOINTMENT
TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES
AIR FORCE ACADEMY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Austin Stoner of Toledo, Ohio has been offered an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Austin's offer of appointment permits him to attend the United States Air Force Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2022. Attending one of our nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country, but also guarantees a world-class education while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of a lifetime.

Austin brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2022. While attending Whitmer High School in Toledo, Ohio, Austin participated in the National Honors Society, earned the T.R.A.C. All Academic Award, and earned the Top 15 Award.

Throughout high school, Austin served as a captain of varsity baseball and participated in the 5 Minutes for Life and Ping Pong clubs. Austin also served as President of Student Council, Commander for the Pep Club, and a Math Honorary. I am confident that Austin will carry the lessons of his student and athletic leadership to the Air Force Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Austin Stoner on his offer of appointment to the United States Air Force Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I am positive that Austin will excel during his career at the Air Force Academy, and I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to him as he begins his service to our Nation.

TRIBUTE TO DENISE HOAG

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Denise Hoag of Council Bluffs, Iowa for receiving the 2018 IOWA STEM Teacher Award. Denise is a computer science and business teacher at Thomas Jefferson High School in Council Bluffs.

IOWA STEM promotes science, technology, engineering, and mathematic programs, with a mission to grow the future workforce. As a STEM teacher, Denise demonstrates innovative methods, has a passion for education, helps students see the world around them, and engages students academically inside and outside the classroom. Todd Barnett, Principal at Thomas Jefferson High School said, "Denise isn't just a STEM resource, she is a leader in the School District and State of Iowa."

Mr. Speaker, I applaud and congratulate Denise for receiving the IOWA STEM Award. She is a shining example of how hard work and dedication can have a lasting impact on the future of students and their education goals. I am proud to represent her in the United States Congress and I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Denise and in wishing her nothing but continued success in all her endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO WARD W.
McCARRAGHER

HON. PETER A. DeFAZIO

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. DEFAZIO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ward W. McCarragher, who has served in many capacities with the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure for the last quarter century, including the last 20 years as the Chief Democratic Counsel to the Committee. As a Member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, I have had the privilege of working with Ward for the last 25 years, and most closely since 2015 when I took over as Ranking Member of the Committee. As Ranking Member, I have come to rely on his expertise in both transportation policy and Congressional process in advancing important policy measures to improve the lives of American families.

Hailing from Kenosha, Wisconsin, and a proud Wisconsin Badgers and Green Bay Packers fan, Ward started his Congressional service back in 1989 as a foreign policy analyst for the Congressional Research Service. After subsequently attending law school and serving as a legal intern to the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, Ward returned to Washington, D.C. in 1993 as an intern for Chairman Norman Y. Mineta (D-CA) and the Committee on Public Works and Transportation. That same year, he was appointed by Chairman Mineta as Associate Counsel of the Committee's Economic Development Subcommittee and, in 1995, he

was appointed Counsel to the Public Buildings and Economic Development Subcommittee and the Surface Transportation Subcommittee. In 1998, Ranking Member James L. Oberstar (D-MN) appointed Ward to be the Chief Democratic Counsel to the Committee, where he has served with distinction ever since, including under Chairman Oberstar and Ranking Member Nick J. Rahall (D-WV) prior to me.

Ward has helped guide virtually every transportation law enacted over the last two decades through the legislative process and the last four major reauthorizations of surface transportation programs, including the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) in 1998, the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) in 2005, and the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) in 2015. He also worked tirelessly over the last two decades to combat efforts to eliminate funding for, and privatize, Amtrak, our Nation's passenger railroad.

Ward was also integral in negotiating Federal policy following the 9/11 attacks on New York and Washington, D.C., including the enactment of the Aviation and Transportation Security Act of 2001, which created the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and enhanced aviation security overall, the Homeland Security Act of 2002, and the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002.

Ward is the consummate public servant who possesses the rare combination of vision and grit. He has spent his career working vigorously to ensure that government works for the greater benefit of hard-working American families, while still attending to the minor, but certainly necessary, details. He has been a tireless internal advocate for Congressional oversight of Federal agencies, under both Democratic and Republican administrations, ensuring that Federal resources are utilized consistent with Congressional intent and for the betterment of the Nation. He is also a rare master on the internal workings of the Committee structure and the Congress, meticulously ensuring that established processes are followed, and that the views of elected officials, whether in the majority or minority, are respected. And he does this all while ensuring that no Committee document is missing a comma.

As the longest currently serving staffer on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Ward's dedication to the Committee, his institutional memory and his constant professionalism will be greatly missed by Members on both sides of the aisle. While Ward is leaving the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, he will remain a strong advocate for smart, effective public transportation policy through his position with the American Public Transportation Association. His expertise and counsel will be missed by all who follow transportation policy on Capitol Hill, but will greatly benefit all those who rely on public transportation.

I want to thank Ward for his years of service and his dedication to public service. I wish him, his wife, Marie, and his children, Ryan, Colin, and Megan all the best in the years to come.

RECOGNIZING THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF LAS TRAMPAS SCHOOL, INC.

HON. MARK DeSAULNIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. DESAULNIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the 60th anniversary of the founding of Las Trampas School. This school, located in my district in Lafayette, California, has served families with severe or profound disabilities during its long and successful run.

Since its founding in 1971 by parents, families, and community members, Las Trampas has adapted to serve the needs of the community. Originally founded as a non-profit residential school serving children with developmental disabilities, the school grew with its students as they entered adulthood. Las Trampas now focuses on supporting adults with developmental disabilities to embrace their strengths and to lead full lives in their home, at work, and in the community.

Las Trampas School's mission statement exemplifies who they are as an organization and the good they do for the Bay Area: "all persons with developmental disabilities are entitled to develop their optimum state of social, physical, and mental well-being, and share an integrated lifestyle similar to what non-disabled persons enjoy."

As a lifelong advocate for the disabilities community, I have seen the good Las Trampas has done in our community. Congratulations to the Las Trampas School family on a successful 60 years of service.

MOUNTAINS COMMUNITY CITIZEN, DAVID CAINE IS AWARDED CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD BY LAKE ARROWHEAD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

HON. PAUL COOK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize David Caine who will be honored as the Lake Arrowhead Chamber of Commerce's Citizen of the Year. David is the founder of Quiet Skies—Lake Arrowhead, a group dedicated to preserving Lake Arrowhead residents' quality of life in the face of flight pattern changes by the FAA.

David epitomizes what it means to be a concerned citizen. When flight patterns changed over Lake Arrowhead last year, David was the first person to contact my office to notify me what a massive complication this was for my constituents. Not only did he quickly bring this issue to light, he has been diligent in researching this issue and organizing the local community. Due to his hard work, dedication, and perseverance, FAA representatives came to Lake Arrowhead to present a partial solution while they continue to work on a permanent fix. This meeting was the first time in history that the FAA has voluntarily made changes to accommodate a community.

On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives, I would like to thank David Caine for the

incredible work he has done organizing and informing the community about the seriousness of this issue, and for his tireless efforts to advocate on behalf of Lake Arrowhead residents. His determination, diligence, and passion make him truly deserving of the title, Citizen of the Year.

RECOGNIZING CHERYL COLLELUORI

HON. PATRICK MEEHAN

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. MEEHAN. Mr. Speaker, today I recognize Mrs. Cheryl Colleluori of Delaware County, Pennsylvania. Cheryl is the President of HEADstrong Foundation, which provides services and resources for cancer patients and their families nationwide.

HEADstrong was founded by Cheryl's son, Nick, after he was diagnosed with a blood cancer. Nick realized that cancer patients and their families were struggling with a lack of resources. From his hospital bed, Nick started to raise money and awareness for cancer patients by empowering young athletes to support his mission. His final wish was for others to benefit from his life and efforts and Cheryl promised to see her son's mission through. Thanks to Cheryl's leadership and Nick's spirit, HEADstrong has helped nearly 15,000 patients and raised more than \$11 million to support their fight against cancer.

HEADstrong will continue to change countless lives for years to come with its message of kindness, support, and compassion. None of this would be possible without Cheryl's embodiment of her son's spirit. She is an exceptional choice for the Woman of Achievement Award, and I thank her for all her tremendous work.

IN RECOGNITION OF MCKENZIE MERCER ON HER OFFER OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that McKenzie Mercer of Cygnet, Ohio has been offered an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

McKenzie's offer of appointment permits her to attend the United States Air Force Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2022. Attending one of our nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country, but also guarantees a world-class education while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of a lifetime.

McKenzie brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2022. While attending Elmwood High School in Bloomdale, Ohio,

McKenzie was a member of the National Honor Society and was a 4.0 and perfect attendance award winner. She also participated in the pep, jazz and marching bands, student council, Future Farmers of America and was involved in student government.

Throughout high school, McKenzie participated in volleyball and track, earning many honors and serving as captain of the track team. I am confident that McKenzie will carry the lessons of her student and athletic leadership to the Air Force Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating McKenzie Mercer on the offer of her appointment to the United States Air Force Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I am positive that McKenzie will excel during her career at the Air Force Academy, and I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to her as she begins her service to our Nation.

INDIAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER'S 16TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct pleasure to recognize the Indian American Cultural Center of NWIHRC, which will be celebrating its 16th anniversary by hosting a gala dinner and banquet on Saturday, April 7, 2018, at the Halls of Saint George in Schererville, Indiana.

The Indian American Cultural Center, which opened on March 9, 2002, was established with the following goal in mind: to foster peace and harmony amongst the people of Northwest Indiana by showcasing their cultural heritage and creating spiritual awareness in both youth and adults, as well as to engage in various charitable endeavors, both nationally and locally. Since its inception, the Indian American Cultural Center has been instrumental in educating Northwest Indiana's citizens on the traditions and customs of the Indian heritage.

The members of the Indian American Cultural Center of NWIHRC are to be honored, not only for their commitment to preserving tradition, but also for their commitment to making improvements that benefit all mankind. Proceeds from this year's gala, which throughout the years has demonstrated the immense generosity of its attendees and organizers, will go to support numerous charity organizations. In the past, proceeds from the gala have gone to such noble causes as cancer research, educational scholarships, the American Red Cross, tsunami and hurricane relief funds, the Carmelite Home for Girls, Arc Bridges of Hobart, Campagna Academy, and many more. For their significant contributions to the community of Northwest Indiana and beyond, the members and leaders of the NWIHRC are worthy of the highest praise.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in congratulating the Indian American Cultural Center of NWIHRC on its 16th anniversary. The members and leaders of this outstanding organization have dedicated themselves to serving others and continue to improve the quality of life for the people of Northwest Indiana and

throughout the world; they serve as an inspiration to us all.

HONORING GILBERT SHAW

HON. JACKY ROSEN

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Ms. ROSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a longtime member of the Las Vegas community on the occasion of his 90th birthday, which he will celebrate on April 10, 2018. I am proud to stand today and let Congress and our country know what an amazing man he is.

Gilbert Shaw is a founding member of Congregation Ner Tamid, and served in the Navy and Coast Guard for twenty-seven years. He is an officer of the Jewish War Veterans of the USA, serving as the Senior Vice Commander of Sgt. Manny Peven Post 65. To this day, Mr. Shaw still teaches photography to fellow senior citizens at a Life-Long Learning Institute.

I want to congratulate Gilbert on reaching this incredible milestone, and thank him for his years of dedicated service. He has lived a long, impressive, and successful life. Today, I join Gilbert's family, friends and the entire Southern Nevada community to wish him a very happy 90th birthday and for many more joyful memories in the years to come.

TRIBUTE TO DELNO "BUD" HOLTZ

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Bud Holtz of Avoca, Iowa on the very special occasion of his 100th birthday. Bud celebrated his birthday on February 7, 2018.

Our world has changed a great deal during the course of Bud's life. Since his birth, we have revolutionized air travel and walked on the moon. We have invented the television, cellular phones and the internet. We have fought in wars overseas, seen the rise and fall of Soviet communism and witnessed the birth of new democracies. Bud has lived through eighteen United States Presidents and twenty-five Governors of Iowa. In his lifetime, the population of the United States has more than tripled.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to represent Bud in the United States Congress and it is my pleasure to wish him a very happy 100th birthday. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Bud on reaching this incredible milestone, and wishing him even more health and happiness in the years to come.

IN RECOGNITION OF DAVID MULLIGAN ON HIS OFFER OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that David Mulligan of Sylvania, Ohio has been offered an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy, in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

David's offer of appointment permits him to attend the United States Air Force Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2022. Attending one of our nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country, but also guarantees a world-class education while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of a lifetime.

David brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2022. While attending Northview High School in Sylvania, Ohio, David served as secretary for the National Honors Society, and was active in leadership academy and LINK Crew.

Throughout high school, David participated in recreational basketball, and was senior captain for both varsity cross country and varsity baseball. David is also involved with church youth group and the NASA Student Launch Team. I am confident that David will carry the lessons of his student and athletic leadership to the Air Force Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating David Mulligan on his offer of appointment to the United States Air Force Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I am positive that David will excel during his career at the Air Force Academy, and I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to him as he begins his service to our Nation.

TX-22 STUDENTS SELECTED FOR YOUNG MASTERS CLASS

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Lauren Mathews, a freshman at Seven Lakes High school and Lauren Yang, a junior at Dulles High School for being selected for Young Masters Class.

Texas Young Masters recognizes students from grades 8-11 who excel in dance, theater, film, music, media, and literary and visual arts. More than 300 students from across Texas applied, but only the most talented fifteen students received the title of "Young Master." These students were awarded with \$10,000 multi-year scholarships to enhance their studies and provide them access to enhanced opportunities prior to college. Lauren Mathews

plays the cello and Lauren Yang was given the award for her dedication to visual arts. These two outstanding students will be recognized during the 2018 class of Young Masters during an awards ceremony and concert on April 16th at Austin's ZACH Theater.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Lauren Mathews and Lauren Yang for achieving this great artistic accomplishment. I am proud and confident of their continued success.

THE KILLING OF STEPHON CLARK
OF SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, as a senior member of the House Committees on Homeland Security and the Judiciary, and Ranking Member of the Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations, I rise in remembrance of Stephon Alonzo Clark, who died on March 18, 2018 after being shot 20 times by a Sacramento Police Department officer.

I also rise to call upon the Department of Justice to investigate the use of force that took the life of Stephon Clark.

Once again I am disheartened by the shooting of yet another unarmed young man of color at the hands of law enforcement.

Stephon Clark was a proud graduate of Sacramento High School.

Stephon Clark was affectionately known as "Big Papa" and "Zoe" to his friends and family.

Stephon Clark loved to watch football and Netflix shows with his fiancée Salena Manni and their two young sons.

Stephon Clark enjoyed waking up in the morning to make oatmeal for his children before they would go to school.

Stephon Clark was only 22 years old when he was tragically shot and killed in his grandmother's backyard.

Stephon Clark laid for six minutes, bleeding to death.

As Stephon Clark drew his last breath, officers handcuffed his dying body.

Officers claim that Stephon Clark had a gun, but no weapon was found at the scene.

Stephon Clark only had a cell phone.

I have long been a strong supporter of law enforcement, and know first-hand the great work performed by officers all across the country.

But this incident raises troubling questions about the practices and policies of the Sacramento Police Department.

I am concerned that the audio on the police officers' body cameras was intentionally turned off.

This act defeats the purpose of police body cameras, erodes trust within the community and adds greater concern to an already regrettable and preventable tragedy.

Stephon Clark and the family that survives him deserve justice.

Unfortunately, this incident fits a troubling pattern.

While the names of the young men killed and the cities in which they die change, regrettably the critical facts seldom do.

Mr. Speaker, I demand that this Administration conduct a comprehensive review of this matter by all appropriate law enforcement agencies, and I call upon the United States Department of Justice to determine whether local police violated the federal civil rights of Stephon Clark.

Far too often, the demand for justice for those like Stephon Clark go unheard.

This cannot go on.

It is time to LISTEN and ACT.

That is why we in the Judiciary Committee formed the House Bipartisan Policing Strategies Working Group, of which, I am a Member.

I have introduced and supported legislation to help reform how youth and juveniles are treated to reduce contact and recidivism within the juvenile and criminal justice system; to help protect them from a system that turns them into life-long offenders.

These efforts include:

H.R. 3158, "The RAISE Act," which provides judges new and different options when a young offender comes before them, ensures that young offenders receive specialized programs and separate housing tailored to their needs, and advances efforts to rehabilitate them.

H.R. 3155, "Kalief's Law," establishes more humane rules for young offenders and juveniles when detained or confined, particularly in the areas of pretrial detention, bail, use of force and segregation or solitary confinement.

H.R. 3156, "Fair Chance for Youth Act," which creates effective opportunities for juveniles and young offenders to seal and expunge their records.

Just as we need to minimize the overcharging, wrongful conviction, and excessive incarceration of innocent people, we must address the unnecessary loss of life like that of Stephon Clark this past week in Sacramento.

We must curtail the escalation of violence that can result from police and civilian interactions.

Effective law enforcement requires the confidence of the community that the law will be enforced impartially and equally.

There is no higher priority than improving the peacefulness of these interactions and rebuilding the trust between law enforcement and the communities they serve and protect.

To address many of the current flaws, I plan to reintroduce the "BUILD Trust Act" which is designed to increase public confidence in local law enforcement by decreasing excessive reliance on traffic fines and court costs to fund local government.

I ask my colleagues to join me in support of these measures so that in addition to our thoughts and prayers, we take decisive action to prevent tragedies like the death of Stephon Clark from happening in the first place.

INTRODUCTION OF THE DISTRICT
OF COLUMBIA JUROR PAY PARITY ACT

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduce the District of Columbia Juror Pay Parity Act of 2018 to require that D.C. Superior Court

jurors receive pay for jury service equal to that received by federal jurors.

Currently, D.C. Superior Court jurors are paid \$30 per day, and, under the D.C. Home Rule Act, only the D.C. courts and Congress have the authority to increase Superior Court juror pay. My bill would require that Superior Court jurors receive pay equal to that received by federal jurors.

In the fiscal year 2018 omnibus appropriations bill, Congress included a pay increase from \$40 to \$50 per day for federal jurors, the first increase to federal juror pay in 28 years. My bill would give Superior Court jurors the same pay.

Under the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997 (Pub. L. 105-33), Congress took responsibility for paying for the D.C. courts and most other state-like functions. The D.C. courts, however, have always been under the control of Congress, even when they were funded by the District. The Home Rule Act prohibits the District government from enacting any law regarding Title 11 of the D.C. Code. Title 11 provides that the Board of Judges of the Superior Court sets juror pay, but that the pay may not exceed the pay of federal jurors. Therefore, this bill, or action by D.C. courts, is necessary to increase Superior Court juror pay.

I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

IN RECOGNITION OF COLE RAGAN
ON HIS OFFER OF APPOINTMENT
TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES
AIR FORCE ACADEMY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. Latta. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Cole Ragan of Whitehouse, Ohio has been offered an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Cole's offer of appointment permits him to attend the United States Air Force Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2022. Attending one of our nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country, but also guarantees a world-class education while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of a lifetime.

Cole brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2022. While attending Anthony Wayne High School in Whitehouse, Ohio, Cole was a member of the National Honor Society and 4.0 honor roll, as well as an academic letter winner.

Throughout high school, Cole participated in football, wrestling, and track and field, earning many honors and serving as captain of the football team. I am confident that Cole will carry the lessons of his student and athletic leadership to the Air Force Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Cole Ragan on the offer of his appointment to the United States Air Force Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I

am positive that Cole will excel during his career at the Air Force Academy, and I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to him as he begins his service to our Nation.

RECOGNITION OF ELENI M.
ROUMEL

HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. BRADY of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize Eleni Marie Roumel for her dedicated service to the House of Representatives and specifically to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Eleni has been with the House Office of General Counsel since October 2012, during which time she has provided invaluable counsel to House Members, Officers, and staff on a variety of legal issues. She has vigorously defended the institutional prerogatives of the House, and greatly assisted the Committees in fulfilling their important constitutional oversight roles.

Of special importance to the Committee on Ways and Means, our staff came to rely on her expertise and guidance in connection with many of the Committee's investigative and oversight activities, as well as in connection with the Committee's interactions with the Executive Branch. Eleni was a trusted advisor on many aspects of the Affordable Care Act, and worked tirelessly to ensure the Committee's investigative efforts in overseeing the enforcement of the law were successful. Eleni has been instrumental in the Committee's efforts to combat Executive Branch overreach and vindicate the House's Appropriations Clause authority. In addition, Eleni has exemplified the role of counselor to Committee staff as someone who was eminently reliable, knowledgeable, creative, and genuinely a pleasure to work with. She will be greatly missed.

This month, Eleni will continue her distinguished career of public service by commencing her new role as Deputy Counsel to the Vice President of the United States. Eleni served the House with great distinction, and we know she will serve the Vice President with that same level of distinction. On behalf of the many Members of the Committee on Ways and Means, and the Committee staff, who benefitted from her insightful counsel, I say thank you. We extend to her our very best wishes for her continued success.

CRYSTEL WARE NAMED
EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Crystel Ware for being awarded the 2018 Texas Alliance of Black School Educators (TABSE) Educator of the Year.

Crystel is the math and science facilitator at Williams Elementary School in Rosenberg, TX. The TABSE Educator of the Year award is gifted to teachers who truly make a difference

with their students and demonstrate an unparalleled commitment to enhancing the quality of classroom instruction by using innovative teaching techniques. Ware also previously received the Educator of the Year award from the Houston Area Association of Black School Educators in 2017. Her achievements were recognized on February 25th at the TABSE'S annual conference in Houston.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Crystel on receiving this honor. We thank her for her dedication to her students and look forward to seeing what she accomplishes in the future.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF
SHANTHI VISWANATHAN

HON. RAJA KRISHNAMOORTHY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY. Mr. Speaker, like so many Americans, I was deeply moved by the school shooting in Parkland, Florida. The tragic loss of 17 lives to a gunman was another devastating reminder of the danger of too many guns being readily available in our culture.

In the face of the Parkland shooting, I would like to pay special recognition to Mrs. Shanthi Viswanathan, an Algebra teacher at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida.

Known as "Mrs. V" to her students, Mrs. Viswanathan's quick thinking and firm and resolute actions very likely helped save the lives of her students.

As the Miami Herald reported, Mrs. Viswanathan knew something wasn't right when she heard the second fire alarm of the day sounding shortly before classes were to end on February 14th.

Mrs. Viswanathan immediately put paper over the window so no one could see inside. She then told her students to take cover and get on the floor in the corner of the room.

When the SWAT team came to the outside of Mrs. Viswanathan's classroom and told her to open the door, she opted not to take any chance that it could have been a trick by the gunman.

"Knock it down or open it with a key. I'm not opening the door," Mrs. Viswanathan said.

It was indeed the SWAT team, and they knocked down the door and ushered the students to safety.

When Mrs. Viswanathan knew there was danger, she exemplified the truest form of the Hindu concept of dharma, or duty, in protecting those she was responsible for. These actions were brought to my attention by the Hindu American Foundation which continues to support the victims as part of its broader commitment to Ahimsa, the Hindu concept of nonviolence.

I recently visited Broward County where I had the honor to speak at the Hindu American Foundation's annual gala. The Hindu American Foundation, or HAF, has stood up during the ongoing public debate over guns in our society and has supported legislation to, among other things, repeal the ban on allowing the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention from conducting research into gun violence in

the United States. In taking its policy positions, HAF is guided by both public policy concerns and ethics, along with Hindu scripture.

It is my sincere hope that the days and weeks ahead, Congress shows the same commitment to dealing with gun violence that Mrs. Viswanathan and the Hindu American Foundation already have.

IN RECOGNITION OF THOMAS HILT
ON HIS OFFER OF APPOINTMENT
TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES
MILITARY ACADEMY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Thomas Hilt of Whitehouse, Ohio has been offered an appointment to the United States Military Academy in West Point, New York.

Thomas' offer of appointment permits him to attend the United States Military Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2022. Attending one of our nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country, but also guarantees a world-class education while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of a lifetime.

Thomas brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2022. While attending Anthony Wayne High School in Whitehouse, Ohio, Thomas was a member of the National Honor Society, received the school's academic award, and participated in DECA and German Club.

Throughout high school, Thomas participated in rowing, where he served as team captain and received his varsity letter and coaches award. I am confident that Thomas will carry the lessons of his student and athletic leadership to the Military Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Thomas Hilt on his offer of appointment to the United States Military Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I am positive that Thomas will excel during his career at West Point, and I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to him as he begins his service to our Nation.

TRIBUTE TO SHEILA KUNZE

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Sheila Kunze of Lewis, Iowa on her retirement as the Cass County Clerk of Court. Sheila began her duties in the Clerk's office in 1979, and has served the citizens of Cass County for almost 39 years.

Appointed as the Cass County Clerk of Court in 2001, Sheila said when she joined the Clerk's office she was hired as an office

clerk. During her 39 years of service she has witnessed many changes in the office and the way records are kept. Today, almost everything is electronically filed, but the office still handles some paper forms. Sheila said the greatest part of her job was “working with all the people, I’ve met a lot of people over the years, and made a lot of friends.”

Mr. Speaker, Sheila has made a difference in her community by helping and serving others. I am honored to recognize her today and I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in applauding her accomplishments and in wishing her nothing but the best in her retirement.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF GEORGE WILSON, DEAN OF THE CAPITOL HILL BLACK PRESS, AND INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENT AND EYEWITNESS TO HISTORY

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise in remembrance of a pioneer and trailblazer, George Wilson, the Dean of the Black press on Capitol Hill.

George Wilson, a veteran journalist and broadcaster whose reports were heard on radio outlets across the country for decades will be remembered as a powerful voice with a witty intellect.

George Wilson was born in New Orleans on October 10, 1947, to George II and Rose Wilson and raised in Washington, D.C.

After graduating from Calvin Coolidge High School, George Wilson attended Howard University before graduating from North Carolina A&T.

As a Capitol Hill correspondent for over three decades and host of Sirius XM’s “GW on the Hill,” George Wilson’s velvet voice was unmistakable over the airwaves.

During his time on air, George Wilson served as “Black America’s voice on the Hill.”

George Wilson’s character and reputation paved the way for other African American journalists in Congress.

George Wilson’s passion for journalism led him to stories around the world and particularly cultivated sources in the international and diplomatic community.

Wilson covered the fall of apartheid in South Africa, the reinstatement of former Haitian President Jean Bertrand Aristide, and chronicled the many revolutions in African countries.

George Wilson’s work made him more than a local reporter, he was an international journalist.

George Wilson will be missed greatly, not just in the hallowed halls of Congress but throughout the world.

George Wilson is survived by his wife Iris, his mother Rose, six children, seven grandchildren, one great-grandchild, aunts, cousins and a host of other relatives and friends.

I ask the House to observe a moment of silence in memory of George Wilson.

RECOGNIZING MARES STELLFOX

HON. PATRICK MEEHAN

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. MEEHAN. Mr. Speaker, today I recognize Mares Stellfox, a Springfield High School graduate who relentlessly pursued her dreams to become a professional Open-Wheel race car driver.

From an early age Mares dreamed of proving herself in the male-dominated world of race car driving. It was no easy path to get there. She experienced barriers and setbacks. But Mares pushed forward, helping change auto-racing culture and becoming a model for other aspiring women.

When Mares first entered open-wheel auto racing, she set ambitious goals—to finish in the top ten in points her first year and the top five her second. She accomplished both and returned a third year to capture first place. She would go on to join The Outlaws racing club as the only woman among nearly 100 members, earning herself the nickname the “Lady Outlaw.” She continued to break stereotypes as she earned numerous honors and awards during her tenure, even landing on the cover of Open Wheel Magazine, a first for a woman.

I applaud Mares for her successful career and everything she has done to be a trailblazer for women. She has well-earned the Woman of Achievement Award.

IN RECOGNITION OF JENNA KILL ON HER OFFER OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio’s Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Jenna Kill of Sylvania, Ohio has been offered an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Jenna’s offer of appointment permits her to attend the United States Air Force Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2022. Attending one of our nation’s military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country, but also guarantees a world-class education while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of a lifetime.

Jenna brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2022. While attending Northview High School in Sylvania, Ohio, Jenna was a member of the National Honor Society and was ranked in the top five percent of her class.

Throughout high school, Jenna participated in soccer, and was captain for both the cross country and track and field teams, earning varsity letters in all three sports. Jenna also served as a co-leader for the NASA Student Launch Team, was involved in leadership academy, and participated in competitions such as Team America Rocketry Contest, and

S4 Satellite Rocketry Team. I am confident that Jenna will carry the lessons of her student and athletic leadership to the Air Force Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Jenna Kill on her offer of appointment to the United States Air Force Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I am positive that Jenna will excel during her career at the Air Force Academy, and I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to her as she begins her service to our Nation.

TRIBUTE TO SHAWN THOMPSON

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Shawn Thompson of Sidney, Iowa for receiving the 2017 Iowa Football Coaches Association John Taft Memorial Junior High Award. Shawn is the junior high football coach at Sidney High School in Sidney, Iowa.

Shawn was nominated by Sidney High School Head Coach Donnie Sears. Coach Sears said, “Shawn had four undefeated seasons and four additional seasons with just one loss. But, his impact goes far beyond the field.” Shawn goes above and beyond to help his struggling students; he arrives very early in the morning at school to tutor them and help them set up appointments with other teachers to help with their studies. Shawn said, “I was shocked when I found out and wondered, why me? My biggest thought was and still is, why am I being rewarded for doing something I love to do. Coaching is very rewarding to me.”

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize Shawn for receiving this outstanding award. He is a shining example of how hard work and dedication can affect the future of our youth. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Shawn and in wishing him nothing but continued success in all his future endeavors.

MOUNTAINS COMMUNITY RIM OF THE WORLD HISTORICAL SOCIETY IS AWARDED NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR

HON. PAUL COOK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Rim of the World Historical Society, which has been selected by the Lake Arrowhead Communities Chamber of Commerce as its Non-Profit of the Year. The Society is dedicated to collecting, preserving and sharing the history of the Western San Bernardino Mountains communities.

The Rim of the World Historical Society was founded in 1986 as the Crestline Historical Society. The early organization provided temporary history exhibits and programs. Over time, the name changed to the Rim of the World Historical Society the focus shifted to

being a stronger and more visible part of mountaintop communities, from Green Valley Lake to Cedar Pines Park. Its volunteers have designed and installed exhibits within the Mountain History Museum that are open to the public. Through the work of countless volunteers and community members, the Mountain History Museum has provided a window into the history of our beautiful mountain communities.

On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives, I would like to thank Rim of the World Historical Society for their hard work, dedication, and passion for culture and history of our mountain communities.

CADE DEROCHE EARNS EAGLE
SCOUT RANK

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Cade Deroche of Sugar Land, TX for earning the rank of Eagle Scout. Eagle Scout is the highest honor a Boy Scout can earn.

Only a small percentage of Boy Scouts reach the rank of Eagle Scout, which requires

years of effort to develop the necessary leadership, service and outdoor skills. To earn this honor, Cade earned 21 merit badges, and developed and provided leadership to others in a service project. For his project, Cade repaired and completed a memorial garden at Fort Bend Family Promise an organization that supports families who have lost their homes and need emergency housing. Cade and his troop also completed over 500 hours of service following Hurricane Harvey. His hours of service were above and beyond what was required for scouting. He simply wanted to help his community. Cade also designed the patch earned by Scouts who participated in the relief efforts. Cade's dedication to our community has prepared him to be a leader in his future career. The leadership skills he has learned through Boy Scouts are already benefiting our community.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Cade for becoming an Eagle Scout. I am proud and confident of his continued success. I thank him for his dedication to making our community a better place.

RECOGNIZING THE GENOA HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING TEAM FOR WINNING THE INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT TEAM STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Genoa High School Wrestling Team for winning the Ohio School Athletic Association Division III Individual Tournament Team State Championship. The title completes the double as Genoa won the Dual Team Championship this season as well.

The Comets posted a scored of 113.5 led by Junior Dylan D'Emilio who won an individual state title and finished the season 52-0.

Wrestling tests the mettle of its competitors, and it takes grit, determination, and toughness to compete at a high level. These competitors deserve our recognition. The Genoa community should be proud of the team's accomplishments.

Once again, congratulations to Coach Bob Bergman and the Comets on the state championship. Great job Genoa wrestling.

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Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met at 11:30:21 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 11:30:51 a.m. until 3 p.m., on Monday, April 9, 2018.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 5426–5436; and 1 resolution, and H. Res. 810 were introduced. **Pages H3058–59**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3059–60**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

S. 825, to provide for the conveyance of certain property to the Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium located in Sitka, Alaska, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–619, Part 1);

H.R. 3179, to require the appropriate Federal banking agencies, when issuing certain prudential regulations that are substantively more stringent than a corresponding international prudential standard to publish the rationale for doing so and a cost-benefit analysis of the difference, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–620);

H.R. 4790, to amend the Volcker rule to give the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System sole rulemaking authority, to exclude community banks from the requirements of the Volcker rule, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–621);

H.R. 4921, to require the Surface Board of Transportation to implement certain recommendations of the Inspector General of the Department of Transportation, with amendments (H. Rept. 115–622); and

H.R. 4925, to require the Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration to implement certain recommendations for management and collection of railroad safety data (H. Rept. 115–623).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Aderholt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3057**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. Timothy Kesicki, S.J., Jesuit Conference, Washington, DC. **Page H3057**

Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following individuals on the part of the House to the Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission: Ms. Rebecca Kleefisch of Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, and Ms. Heather Higgins of New York, New York. **Page H3057**

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2018

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

3 p.m., Monday, April 9

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Claria Horn Boom, of Kentucky, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 5:30 p.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

11 a.m., Monday, April 9

House Chamber

Program for Monday: House will meet in Pro Forma Session at 11 a.m.

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