

I would especially like to recognize Curve owner and Altoona native Bob Lozinak, his front office staff, manager Matt Walbeck, and the many Curve players this year who helped make 2010 a championship season in Altoona.

An entire region says thank you, congratulations on this accomplishment, and best wishes for continued success on and off the field.

CONGRATULATING BRIGADIER
GENERAL DAVID J. ELICERIO

HON. MICHELE BACHMANN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Mrs. BACHMANN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Brigadier General David J. Elicerio of Ham Lake, Minnesota, upon being named the 34th Red Bull Infantry Division Commander. The Red Bulls hold a special place in the hearts of all Minnesotans, and I'm so pleased to congratulate Brigadier General Elicerio on his new role with the Minnesota National Guard.

Brigadier General Elicerio has served in the Minnesota National Guard for 30 years including a peacekeeping mission to Bosnia and two tours in Iraq. His leadership capabilities have led to a decorated career and a distinguished reputation in the Guard. From his experience as a senior staff member and having commanded troops at the company, battalion and brigade levels, Brigadier General Elicerio will bring a wealth of experience that I know will maintain the enormous confidence we have in our troops.

Madam Speaker, I ask this body to join me in recognizing Brigadier General Elicerio on this special occasion and to express our gratitude for his service and the sacrifices his family has made in dedication to preserving freedom in America.

TRIBUTE TO HONOR FLIGHT OF
EASTERN OREGON

HON. GREG WALDEN

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Mr. WALDEN. Madam Speaker, I rise on the occasion of Honor Flight of Eastern Oregon's inaugural journey of 10 of Oregon's World War II veterans to visit their memorial here in Washington, DC. On behalf of a grateful delegation, state, and country, we welcome these heroes.

The veterans on this initial flight from Eastern Oregon are World War II veterans: Bob L. Hemstreet, U.S. Army; Raymond "Ray" J. Kuhn, U.S. Navy; Lavonne "Vonnice" I. Kuhn, U.S. Navy; Arthur "Art" C. Krantz, U.S. Army; Walter "Walt" D. Goodman, U.S. Navy; Gifford S. Hulse, U.S. Army; Leonard "Lenny" V. Morse, U.S. Army Air Force; Minnie "Marie" M. Colombari, U.S. Navy; David A. House, U.S. Army Air Force; and Henry "Milt" M. Prowell, U.S. Army.

Madam Speaker, these 10 veterans from Oregon are joining over 35,000 veterans from across the country who, since 2005, have been transported from their home states to our

Nation's capital at absolutely no cost to them or their families, to visit and reflect at memorials built here in their honor.

The fact that these soldiers, sailors, airmen, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen would uproot themselves from their homes and families and put themselves in harm's way for our country is very humbling. The sacrifices they—and the families they left behind—made are truly incredible. The debt of gratitude we owe them can never be repaid, for without their honor, courage, commitment, and above all—sacrifice we would not be able to enjoy the freedoms we have today.

Please join me in thanking these Oregon veterans and the volunteers of Honor Flight of Eastern Oregon for their dedication, commitment, and service to this great Nation.

IN COMMEMORATION OF THE 99TH
NATIONAL DAY OF TAIWAN

HON. DAVID WU

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Mr. WU. Madam Speaker, October 10, 2010, heralds 99 years of the Republic of China (Taiwan). I would like to offer my congratulations and best wishes to the people of Taiwan in commemoration of this 99th National Day.

Taiwan is one of the United States' strongest allies and is dedicated to the principles of democracy, human rights, and the rule of law. I was deeply honored to meet with Taiwan's President Ma Ying-jeou at the beginning of this year, and I hope to someday welcome him and Taiwan's other high-level elected and appointed officials to our Nation's capital.

Moreover, in May I introduced H. Res. 1352, a resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Taiwanese American Heritage Week and recognizing the close relationship between the United States and Taiwan. Taiwanese Americans have played a critical role in strengthening the fabric of American society and in deepening the friendship and understanding between the peoples of the United States and Taiwan.

In celebration of the 2010 Double Tenth National Day, it is my hope that the United States, Taiwan, and the People's Republic of China can continue to work together to promote enduring peace and prosperity across the Taiwan Strait.

IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL
TRADEMARK EXPO

HON. JAMES P. MORAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Mr. MORAN of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to express my support for the United States Patent and Trademark Office's (USPTO) National Trademark Expo. In a time of ongoing challenges for the American and global economy, I want to join the USPTO in its efforts to recognize the vital role trademarks play in the economy. The 2008 and 2009 National Trademark Expos were very successful and well-attended by the trademark

community and public at large. This year's two-day event will be held on Friday, October 15th, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday, October 16th, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the USPTO headquarters in Alexandria, Virginia. The purpose of the Expo is to educate the public about the value and important role trademarks play in our society and the global marketplace.

Trademarks are words, names, symbols, sounds, or colors that identify and distinguish the goods and services of one party from those of others. The National Trademark Expo will display different types of trademarks such as sound marks and trademarks that identify shapes and configurations of products and will feature company booths, themed displays, costumed characters, and inflatables. Banners will feature information on century-old registered trademarks, the historical evolution and transformation of trademarks, and the history of people behind certain trademarks. The Expo will also feature children's workshops, story time and guided tours. Educational lectures for adults will include lectures on Intellectual Property for Small Businesses, "Why Buy 'Legit': About Counterfeit Goods," "How to File a Trademark," "Top Mistakes in Trademark Applications and How to Best Avoid Them," and "Trademarks 101." A video made to instruct pro se applicants will play in the National Inventors Hall of Fame Museum throughout the Expo. Also, the Museum's current exhibit highlights important food trademarks throughout the years.

During the Trademark Expo, costumed trademarked characters will introduce themselves during the opening ceremony and make appearances throughout the Expo, joining the USPTO's own Trademark character, T. Markey. A new cast of characters, including Clifford the Big Red Dog®, Lorax®, GEICO's Gecko®, Chick-Fil-A's® cow, The Berenstain Bears®, Dippin' Dots®, and a 5-Hour Energy® bottle character will join veteran Expo characters Pillsbury's Doughboy®, Hershey's Kisses®, Hershey's® milk chocolate bar, Reese's Peanut Butter Cups®, Crayola® crayons' mascot Tip, Betty Boop®, Dennis the Menace®, Popeye®, Olive Oyl®, Curious George®, and Sprout®. Large inflatable characters, including the Michelin® man, The Cat in the Hat®, Green Giant®, NFL® football players, collegiate mascots, and Chick-Fil-A's® cow will once again transform the USPTO's campus into a "Trademark Theme Park". Caterpillar® equipment and a NASCAR® show car for 5-Hour Energy® will also decorate the grounds. A story time featuring literary trademarked characters sponsored by Hooray for Books!, a local children's bookstore, will help tell the story of the prevalence of trademarks in our daily lives.

On average, people are exposed to 1,500 trademarks each day and more than 30,000 if they make a trip to the grocery store. In a time of globalization, counterfeit goods pose an increasing threat to American businesses. A display of counterfeit goods alongside authentic goods, as well as an anti-counterfeiting lecture, will highlight the damaging effects of counterfeit goods on the economy as well as the USPTO's anti-counterfeiting efforts. Counterfeit goods cost the United States billions of dollars and hundreds of thousands of jobs annually as well as undermining consumer confidence in brand integrity when purchasers encounter knock-off goods of inferior quality.

Some of America's leading large corporations, small businesses, governmental agencies, and non-profits will highlight the various types of trademarks and the benefits of Federal trademark registration. The exhibitors include CMG Worldwide Corporation; International Trademark Association, Inc. (INTA); U.S. Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration (ITA); National IPR Coordination Center, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE); U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP); Wells Fargo & Company; Innovation Ventures, LLC; American Intellectual Property Law Association, Inc. (AIPLA); Elevation Burger (Elevation Franchise Ventures, LLC); Idaho Potato Commission; Pepsom Group, Inc.; Dippin' Dots, Inc.; Caterpillar, Inc.; CFA Properties, Inc.; The Travelers Companies, Inc.; Hillerich & Bradsby Co. (Louisville Slugger); The Hershey Company; GED Testing Service; and GEICO.

The Trademark Expo will emphasize USPTO's role in reviewing trademark applications and issuing Federal trademark registrations. American innovation and its associated intellectual property are critical to job creation and economic recovery. Through the registration of trademarks, the USPTO assists businesses in protecting their investments, promoting goods and services in the U.S. and around the world, and safeguarding consumers against confusion and deception in the marketplace. I applaud the USPTO for its continued efforts to educate the public on the role of trademarks through the National Trademark Expo. I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the USPTO at this time when trademark protection and intellectual property rights play an increasingly important role in our global economy. And, I encourage the public and my fellow Members and their staff to bring their family and friends to this family-friendly and free event.

HONORING THE 100-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF SAINT MICHAEL'S UKRAINIAN GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH IN HAZLETON, PENNSYLVANIA

HON. PAUL E. KANJORSKI

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Mr. KANJORSKI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask you and my esteemed colleagues in the House of Representatives to pay tribute to the 100th anniversary of Saint Michael's Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church in Hazleton, Pennsylvania.

The foundations of St. Michael's Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church began in the late 19th Century when Eastern European immigrants came to Northeastern Pennsylvania to work in its mining industries.

The first group of western Ukrainian immigrants settled in Hazleton in the 1880s.

In 1910 a small group of Ukrainian immigrants purchased a church in Hazleton from the local Lithuanian community for \$5,700, and established St. Michael's Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church. Despite limited resources and through hard labor, the founders paid back the debt they owed in one year.

The Church initially had 70 member families in 1910, and by 1912 that number had doubled.

The Church, however, was in great need of repairs. Over the next 100 years, the members of the Church and its leadership would undertake extensive renovations to upgrade and maintain their place of worship.

The first renovations began in the 1920s, when Rev. Joseph Boyarchuk led the congregation to paint the interior of the Church. In 1926, despite continued hard economic times, Rev. Lawrence Zakrevsky led a renovation of the exterior of the Church.

After a fire damaged the Church in 1935, the exterior was again replaced in the 1940s under the guidance of Rev. Andrew Ulicky, and in 1949, a new tile floor was added.

During the 1950s, the interior was redecorated under Father Shymansky, and a \$4,000 iconostasis was installed.

After St. Michael's Church was rededicated in 1954, further renovations continued. In 1957 the roof was replaced, and during the 1970s new doors were added and renovations were made to the property's sidewalks.

In honor of the Church's 75th anniversary in 1985, the windows were replaced and the Church's interior was again repainted.

Under the current leadership of Monsignor James Melnic, upgrades and renovations have continued to the building and its grounds.

On Sunday, October 31, 2010 the Church will celebrate its centennial anniversary with a Pontifical Divine Liturgy.

Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing this milestone. Over the past 100 years, the dedicated members of St. Michael's Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church have demonstrated great pride in preserving the religious community that their ancestors worked so hard to create.

HONORING HAROLD SHAW

HON. MICHAEL H. MICHAUD

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Mr. MICHAUD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of Harold Shaw. Harold, a retired U.S. Coast Guard chief warrant officer and special education teacher at Lawrence Junior High School in Fairfield, Maine, has recently received recognition from the Troops to Teachers program. The Troops to Teachers program recruits quality teachers for schools that serve low-income families throughout America and assists military personnel as they transition to careers in teaching. Since its authorization in 1993, nearly ten thousand troops have participated in the Troops to Teachers program and brought unique expertise and insight to our classrooms nationwide.

Our veterans are called upon to learn extensive skills which they then need to teach to junior military comrades. They develop incredible patience, perseverance and leadership skills throughout their honorable service, and I cannot think of any group of individuals in our society that would be better equipped to handle the responsibility and honor of shaping the minds of the future in our Nation's classrooms.

Since starting at Lawrence Junior High School, Harold has used those skills everyday, and his classroom has become a safe haven for students. As his students and colleagues can attest, Harold is an exemplary teacher

and has successfully helped reluctant students to read and write with confidence. Moreover, as someone who knows the meaning of hard work, Harold has continued to challenge himself and has worked to find innovative ways to use technology as a teaching tool in his special education classroom.

By choosing to teach after serving in the military, Harold has continued his public service and made a lasting difference in his community.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring Harold Shaw for his dedication and service to his country and community.

THE REAUTHORIZATION OF JOHANNA'S LAW

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Ms. DeLAURO. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of an important bill that enjoys strong and consistent bipartisan support—the reauthorization of Johanna's Law through 2014. This is an important vote. It will help to raise awareness of the warning signs for ovarian cancer. And it will, put simply, save lives.

Better awareness might have helped Johanna Silver Gordon—in whose honor the bill is named. Johanna lost her life to ovarian cancer despite being a health conscious woman who visited the gynecologist regularly. Like many women, Johanna had symptoms and clinical signs of ovarian cancer that were missed by both her and her healthcare provider. And her sister, Sheryl Silver, was determined never to let another sister, mother, daughter or friend go through the same thing.

This bill will help to make that happen. It reauthorizes the existing CDC program that educates women and their health care providers about the symptoms of ovarian cancer. And it includes new support for other organizations to carry out complementary education and awareness campaigns in order to get the word out about this terrible disease.

I want to thank Congressmen Darrell Issa, Dan Burton, and Sandy Levin for their committed leadership on this issue. And I urge my colleagues to vote for this legislation. As Johanna's family can tell you, it really will make a difference.

H.R. 6193, THE FOSTER YOUTH FINANCIAL SECURITY ACT

HON. JAMES R. LANGEVIN

OF RHODE ISLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Mr. Langevin. Madam Speaker, last week I introduced H.R. 6193, the Foster Youth Financial Security Act. This legislation will prepare foster youth who are transitioning to adulthood to properly manage their finances and provide greater protections of their financial information while they are under the care of the state.

Foster children are disproportionately victims of identity theft because their personal information passes through many hands, increasing the chances that someone will open