

parents the devastating news: Cade had a tumor the size of an egg at the bottom of his brain right behind his right eye. All of this was happening as Erin gave birth to their second child, Lucy.

After the discovery of the tumor, Cade was immediately sent to surgery where surgeons were able to remove 30% of the tumor and provide much relief to Cade. The Spinello's, and all their friends and family, were relieved to hear that the tumor was benign. Unfortunately, as Cade was recovering from surgery, he suffered a stroke that paralyzed the right side of his body and left him without speech.

Over a year has passed since the surgery and the stroke and the only word to describe Cade's recovery is "miracle." This brave young boy has overcome challenges most of us never face in a lifetime. He is walking and talking again. He has participated in a T-ball league. All this while going through a second surgery that saved his right eye and chemotherapy that has significantly reduced the size of his tumor.

The Spinello family has endured through so many hardships yet they face each day with optimism and with their deep faith in God. The community of Ladera Ranch has rallied around them and held fundraisers to help pay the medical bills. Through it all stands Cade Spinello, a testament to love, courage, and perseverance.

Today I ask the U.S. House of Representatives to take a moment and honor this incredible young boy and his family. I ask that all of us keep Cade, and the entire Spinello family, in our prayers as they continue down the path of recovery. I look forward to the day, not so long from now, that I will stand up here and congratulate Cade on his high school graduation and all the accomplishments that he will achieve in his life. For now, I simply stand in awe of a young boy who has conquered more in his young life than most do in an entire lifetime.

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IN RECOGNITION OF ELIZA  
BRYANT VILLAGE

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 6, 2011*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Eliza Bryant Village, a non-profit organization that is dedicated to providing quality services, outreach programs and a dignified, compassionate and secure environment for seniors. On Saturday, November 6, 2011 the Eliza Bryant Auxiliary II will host its 43rd Annual Luncheon, Fashion Show and Mart "Celebrating a Community of Generosity."

In 1858, Eliza Bryant came to Cleveland, Ohio with her mother and brother and they became known for providing African Americans with food, shelter, clothing and guidance. Several decades later, Eliza, concerned by the fact that African Americans were not permitted in nursing homes, began working in the community on behalf of the elderly. Inspired by her dedication, John D. Rockefeller made a financial donation that led to The Cleveland Home of Aged Colored People (The Home).

Since 1896, The Home has gone through several changes. In 1914 a new, 19 bed facility was purchased on Cedar Avenue. In 1960,

The Cleveland Home of Aged Colored People officially changed its name to the Eliza Bryant Home for the Aged. After generous donations by the Dorcas Society and the A.M. McGregor Home, the Eliza Bryant Home moved to a new location on Addison Road and was able to care for 47 people. Just several years later the aged building became inadequate and, in 1985, the Eliza Bryant Home opened in Cleveland's inner city. In 1999, the organization expanded further with the opening of the Inez Myers Senior Outreach Center and Eliza Bryant Manor, a senior housing complex consisting of 60 units. After the opening of these two facilities, the organization was renamed to Eliza Bryant Village (EBV). More recently, EBV acquired the former Madonna Hall Nursing Home, opened the Eliza Bryant Garden Estates and continues to expand its services.

Approximately 100 women are members of EBV's three Auxiliaries, which work to fundraise and support the residents of Eliza Bryant Village. The goal of the 43rd Annual Mart is to obtain funding to enhance EBV's programming, improve transportation and special medical equipment for its residents and provide adult daycare for the elderly in the community.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in recognition of Eliza Bryant Village as it continues its work as being a premier provider of healthcare, programs and services to the Greater Cleveland community.

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IN RECOGNITION OF THE  
ROSALYNN CARTER INSTITUTE  
FOR CAREGIVING

**HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 6, 2011*

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to salute the outstanding humanitarian efforts and health care advocacy initiatives of one of my home-state's most prestigious organizations, the Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving (RCI) at Georgia Southwestern State University in Americus, Georgia. It is appropriate and entirely fitting that this premier institute proudly bears the name of one of my most universally beloved constituents and one of America's most dedicated advocates for the underserved—former First Lady of the United States of America, Mrs. Rosalynn Carter.

RCI was established in 1987 and was formed in honor of former First Lady Rosalynn Carter to recognize her long-standing commitments to human development and efforts to push for parity in the delivery of long-term care health services. One of the institute's primary missions is to establish local, state and national networks that collaboratively work to build more effective long-term care systems and provide enhanced support services for the millions of caregivers who selflessly tend to the needs of our nation's dependent loved ones.

Due to emerging changes in our nation's demographics and a rapidly aging baby boomer population, the current services provided by the Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving have never been more warranted than right now. As cited by the RCI, over fifty million family caregivers provide the largest proportion of care for dependent elderly individuals

as well as adults and children with disabilities. Approximately six million adults over the age of 65 need daily assistance to live outside a nursing home. This alarming figure will grow to more than twelve million by 2030.

It is also worth noting that U.S. life expectancy has been generally increasing since at least the 1940s. Earlier this year, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention noted that life expectancy in the United States has hit another all-time high, rising above 78 years.

With longer life expectancy, come higher rates of chronic illness, disability and the need for more sustainable long-term care services. The average senior today will spend two or more of their final years disabled enough to need someone to help them with routine activities of daily living because of chronic illness.

To help meet the growing needs of our nation's caregiver communities and their disabled loved ones, RCI helped to develop an innovative, online information exchange medium within the Georgia CARE-NET coalition program that allows agencies and caregivers to obtain information about effective caregiving interventions. The online resource helps family caregivers determine which long-term health programs will best meet the specific needs of those in their care.

RCI is also working in tandem with other organizations to secure full funding to establish a Family Caregiver Education and Training Network. This network will provide access to training in evidence-based strategies for family caregivers.

Mr. Speaker, I would ask that my colleagues join me in applauding the exceptional efforts of former First Lady Rosalynn Carter, the RCI and its partner organizations for all they have done and will continue to do to address the paramount and expanding needs of America's caregivers. Their noble deeds and remarkable achievements have improved the quality of life for many of our nation's disabled seniors and chronically ill citizens. I and many others will remain eternally grateful to them for their many noteworthy endeavors and selfless acts of grace.

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CONGRATULATING ROBERT FOY  
ON HIS RETIREMENT

**HON. DALE E. KILDEE**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 6, 2011*

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to wish my dear friend, Robert Foy, a joyous and wonderful retirement. I have known Bob for most of my life. We grew up in the same neighborhood and went to St Mary's Catholic school together. Like me, he spent time studying in the seminary and found great reward in serving his community.

Public service is something that is deeply ingrained in Bob. His service began as young man when he entered the United States Air Force. After rising to the rank of Colonel, Bob left his successful military career and joined the Flint Mass Transportation Authority in 1975 as comptroller. From there, he rose to assistant general manager and then general manager in 1984. Upon his retirement, Bob will have served an astounding 27 years as the general manager of the Flint MTA.

While general manager of the Flint MTA, Bob created a state-of-the-art transportation system and infrastructure. His focus on low-income and seniors has created more opportunities for the clients and jobs throughout the community. The Your Ride program that he designed and implemented serves almost 50,000 passengers a month with an emphasis on seniors and the disabled.

Bob has been called a visionary by many who know him and I echo this sentiment. His work to modernize the transportation system will have a lasting impact on the community. He created unique partnerships with Kettering University and Michigan State University that paved the way for a MTA Alternative Fuel Facility. This cutting edge Compress Natural Gas/Propane fueling station will serve as ground zero for research that could lead to increased efficiency and cost savings that will save taxpayers money across the state.

Mr. Speaker, I can honestly say that everything Bob touched became better because he was involved. He brought decency to whatever he did personally and professionally. Please join me in congratulating Robert Foy on his tremendous career and wish him well in retirement.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CROATIAN FRATERNAL UNION OF AMERICA, LODGE # 859, ZUMBERAK

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 6, 2011*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the 75th anniversary of Zumberak Lodge, of the Croatian Fraternal Union of America.

The Croatian Fraternal Union of America (CFU) is the largest and oldest Croatian organization in North America. There are more than 200 lodges throughout the United States and Canada and 18 in the State of Ohio. The CFU was founded on September 2, 1894 as the Croatian Union of the United States, and in 1895 was renamed the National Croatian Society. The National Croatian Society merged with several other Croatian organizations and became the Croatian Fraternal Union of America in 1925. Originally, CFU was created as a society of mutual aid for Croats in the event of sickness and death. It has also been publishing its own newspaper, *The Zajednicar*, since 1904. Today, in addition to providing insurance, the CFU is dedicated to preserving Croatian culture in North America, and provides numerous fraternal and cultural programs for its members.

In addition to celebrating the 75th anniversary of Zumberak Lodge, members who have been with the Croatian Fraternal Union for 50 years will also be honored at the celebration. The 50 year members include: Gerald Babbitts, Dwayne Hunn, Robert Knezevic, Ann Lang, Mary Ann Mave, Linda Mayo, William Rubick and Barbara Zander. The celebration will begin with a service at St. Nicholas Croatian Byzantine Catholic Church and be followed by a memorial service for deceased members, a blessing for the 50 year members and conclude with a champagne brunch at Manor Party Center in Euclid, Ohio.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in recognizing the 75th anniversary of Zumberak Lodge and those who are celebrating 50 years of membership with the Croatian Fraternal Union of America, Zumberak Lodge #859.

CELEBRATING DAVID ISIAH STROMAN ON HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY

**HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON**

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 6, 2011*

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in celebrating David Isiah Stroman, Jr. on his 100th birthday today.

Born in South Carolina, Dave, as he is affectionately known, has spent most of his life as a resident of the District of Columbia. After graduating from Booker T. Washington High School and attending Benedict College in South Carolina, Dave moved to the nation's capital.

Dave was a natural athlete, so it came as no surprise that he fell in love with golf when he began working as a caddy at Indian Springs Country Club in Silver Spring, MD, earning \$0.50 a round. During those days, the old West Potomac Park on Constitution Avenue was the only golf course in DC that African Americans were allowed to use, and Monday was the only day they were allowed to play on it. However, the Langston Golf Course opened in 1939, giving Dave and his friends a primary golf course to call their own. Over the years, Dave met famous golfers like Lee Elder, Calvin Peete and Charlie Sifford. In the late 1940s, Dave met and became golf partners with boxing great Joe Louis, and they shared many happy times competing against each other.

Dave's successes did not stop at golf. He began his federal government career in 1935 at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, which had just begun to hire African Americans. He worked there until his retirement in 1969. Dave was married to his first wife, Mildred, during his early years at the Bureau, until her death in 1939. Dave married his second wife, Pamela Wilhoite, in 1949. Dave and Pam have two daughters, Tayloria and India, one grandson, Azani, two sons-in-law, Purnell and Daryl, a step granddaughter, Ashley, and a step great grandson, Zion.

During Dave's time at the Bureau, he cultivated many relationships with his co-workers. Together, they formed social clubs like "The SWAGS," whose clubhouse dances and boat rides were the place to be in the 1950s. As a member of a club of retired golfers, the Monday Morning Golf Club, Dave played golf at different courses every Monday. Dave and his co-workers met the actor Bill Murray at the Bureau, who encouraged all of them to become members of the Masonic Temple. Dave later signed his petition as a Master Mason. He is a member of Mecca #10 Shrine Temple, Mt. Vernon Chapter #1, Holy Royal Arch Masons, Redemption Lodge #24, and Simon Commandery. Today, Dave continues to enjoy life by being in the company of family and friends, going to golf courses, and cheering on the Washington Redskins.

In celebrating this significant milestone, we acknowledge the extraordinary personal quali-

ties and contributions of David Isiah Stroman, Jr. to his family and to our community. His birthday gives his family and friends, and the residents of the District of Columbia, an opportunity to thank him for his many gifts of love and friendship. I ask the House to join me in celebrating the 100th birthday of David Isiah Stroman, Jr., a special man whose service to our community is greatly appreciated.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE RETIREMENT AND DEDICATED SERVICE OF ALVIN "AL" COBY

**HON. JEFF MILLER**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 6, 2011*

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the retirement of Alvin "Al" Coby after 27 years of service to the City of Pensacola, Florida.

Mr. Coby's service to our nation began in 1971 when he joined the few and the proud to become a United States Marine. Upon completion of the Officer Basic Course in Quantico, Virginia, he reported to Naval Air Station Pensacola, Florida, where he began his flight training. Upon earning his wings, he was selected to fly the F-4 "Phantom". Mr. Coby served three tours as a Marine aviator in Vietnam, before returning to the "Cradle of Aviation" in 1978 to serve as a flight instructor. Under his leadership and expertise, many brave men and women were trained as pilots who went on to serve during the Cold War and in Iraq, Bosnia, Afghanistan, and across the globe.

After eleven years of military service, Al Coby departed active duty. He then attended graduate school at the University of West Florida and joined the City of Pensacola in 1984 as Assistant City Manager. Mr. Coby has served the City of Pensacola in various capacities, including Community Redevelopment Director, Assistant City Manager and City Manager. During his tenure with the City, he also served as a member of two state appointed boards, as well as numerous local boards and committees. Currently, he is a member of the Sacred Heart Hospital Advisory Board, the Downtown Rotary, and the Boy Scouts of America Gulf Coast Council.

In 2004, Hurricane Ivan devastated the panhandle of Florida, and Mr. Coby became an integral part of the recovery process. His tireless dedication to rebuilding homes and businesses in Pensacola is a true testament to his character. In 2010, with the Deepwater Horizon oil spill affecting residents and businesses in the Gulf Coast region, Mr. Coby organized a team of City employees to focus on recovery and long-term development. He led the recovery team with distinction, and his hard work and dedication helped to ensure that the City of Pensacola was prepared to respond quickly and effectively to this unprecedented disaster.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, I congratulate Mr. Coby on his retirement and thank him for his faithful and selfless service to this great Nation and to the Northwest Florida community. My wife Vicki and I wish him and his family all the best.