live, how much they earn, the color of their skin, or the level of education they have attained. One in four women will experience domestic violence during her lifetime. An estimated 1.3 million women will be physically assaulted this year. And in Minnesota, at least 15 women, 7 children, and 2 men died from domestic violence in 2010. Yet despite all of this, domestic violence remains a "hidden crime" with most incidents going unreported.

While progress has been made to raise awareness of domestic violence and provide needed services to survivors, much more must be done to break the culture of silence surrounding this public health epidemic. Law enforcement, health providers, community leaders, social workers, teachers, and concerned citizens must work together to hold perpetrators accountable and ensure survivors have the support and resources they need. Communities need to promote a culture of safety and support. Individuals have to stand up and declare with our words and actions that domestic violence is unacceptable.

For those committed to ending domestic violence, and in honor of survivors of domestic abuse, I stand today in support of "Domestic Violence Awareness Month".

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. JOHN DILEO, JR.

## HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mr. John DiLeo, Jr., Italian Tribune's 41st Annual Columbus Day Gala honoree. Mr. DiLeo has demonstrated outstanding entrepreneurial and philanthropic endeavors during his tenure and is undoubtedly

worthy of this body's recognition.

Mr. DiLeo is the reigning President of Hylan Datacom and Electrical, Inc. in Holmdel, New Jersey. Mr. DiLeo has admirably worked sideby-side with his father, Mr. John S. DiLeo, Sr. for over 20 years, learning and executing the responsibilities to successfully fulfill the mission of Hylan Datacom and Electrical. He has retained responsibility for all of the organization's financial and business decisions at Hylan Datacom. Mr. DiLeo continues to exceed customers' needs and expectations while maintaining a powerful work ethic and customer-centered approach. Mr. DiLeo is also President of Gordon Petroleum, Inc. and owns and operates multiple corporations in the tri-State area. He is also a partner to six Perkins Restaurants and Damon's Steakhouse, family owned businesses that continue to appeal to residents throughout New York and New Jersey. Mr. DiLeo is currently a Board Member with the Staten Island Economic Development Corporation and has held this position since 2002.

In addition to his professional responsibilities, Mr. DiLeo supports various charitable organizations, including the Count Basie Theater Foundation, Girl Scouts of America and South Shore Rotary. He is a proud graduate of St. John's University and is an avid sports fan, passionate about animals and nature. John is also happily married to his wife Madeline of 22 years.

Mr. Speaker, once again please join me in congratulating Mr. John DiLeo for receiving

the honor bestowed by the Italian Tribune at their 41st Annual Columbus Day Gala. Mr. DiLeo continues to provide outstanding services to the members of the community and the constituents of my district.

RECOGNIZING GLASGOW INVESTIGATIVE SOLUTIONS, INC. OF WOODBRIDGE, VA

### HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virgnia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Glasgow Investigative Solutions, Incorporated, of Woodbridge, Virginia (GIS), for its acceptance into the National Center for the Veteran Institute for Procurement (VIP).

Founded in 2004 by Mr. Rudolph A. Glasgow, GIS is a disabled veteran, minority-owned business, providing quality services with integrity and high ethical standards. These services include background investigations for the issuance of government security clearances, pre-employment background screening, criminal record searches, education verification, employment reference verification, credit reports, civil record searches, driving record searches and finger printing.

VIP, a program of the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce, is the country's first-ever program to train veteran small business owners to succeed in the federal contracting market. VIP has helped more than 200 veteran-owned businesses win government contracts and continues to actively serve veterans by connecting top executives of veteran owned small businesses with leaders in government and industry.

Mr. Speaker, it is a great honor to be accepted into this program and I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing Glasgow Investigative Solutions for its accomplishment.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MAYOR JEROEL D. "J.D." BRAY

# HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, it is an honor for me to rise today to recognize the life and service of Northwest Florida's beloved Jeroel D. "J.D." Bray.

Born in Jay, Florida on December 25, 1919 to H.H. "Hub" and Alice Bray, J.D. spent his childhood with his brothers, Charlie, C.H. "Chab," and Raymond; and his sisters, Beatrice, Mattie, Myrtle, and Maudie, helping out on the family farm and playing sports. He attended Jay High School and played football, baseball, and basketball.

J.D. Bray was a true patriot, and when his country called him to duty during World War II, he responded with honor and distinction. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1938 and upon completion of basic training, was sent to the Panama Canal. Later, as a member of the infantry, he fought in the Battle of the Bulge. J.D. earned the rank of Sergeant and received an honorable discharge in 1945.

When he returned home, J.D. worked as a lineman with the Escambia River Electric Cooperative, and in 1952, he married Theda Warrick in Pascagoula, Mississippi. They bought and operated a local service station, and J.D. later joined the Santa Rosa County Road Department in Northwest Florida, where he retired in 1988. Throughout the course of his life, he understood and exemplified the true meaning of public service. As an active member in the Jay community, J.D. served as a City Councilman from 1954 to 1956 and then was elected to serve as Mayor. For 44 years, Mayor Bray held the position and assisted in the growth of the town's infrastructure through his invaluable leadership and unwavering dedication. Aside from his career, Mayor Bray was a member of the American Legion, past Commander of Edeker-DuBose Post 121 in Jay, a 32° freemason, and a member of Red Rock Masonic Lodge #96 in Munson, Florida.

Mayor Bray is survived by his wife of 59 years, Theda; three children, Debbie (Michael) Gilley, Cheryl Bray, and Stewart (Maria) Bray; his grandchildren, S.J. Bray and Meghan Gilley; great-granddaughter, Tristan Bray; and his sister, Myrtle Bray.

To some, Mayor Bray will be remembered as a courageous member of our armed services who answered the call of duty during one of our Nation's most trying hours; to others, he will be remembered as a successful farmer, gardener, and a regular at the peanut co-op. He was a distinguished public servant, volunteer, and soldier; however, above all, Mayor Bray was a true family man. More than anything, J.D. enjoyed spending time with his family, friends, and neighbors, and he loved cheering his Florida State Seminoles to victory. Northwest Florida mourns the loss of a true leader, and his service to the community and this Nation will not be forgotten.

RECOGNIZING CLIFF MOSHOGINIS

### HON. FRED UPTON

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Mr. UPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Cliff Moshoginis of Kalamazoo, Michigan, who was named Airport Manager of the Year by the Michigan Association of Airport Executives on Thursday, September 15, 2011.

Mr. Moshoginis began his career at the Kalamazoo/Battle Creek International Airport in 1993. In 1999, he rose to assistant director of the airport, and in 2006 became its director. Mr. Moshoginis was chosen as the recipient of this impressive honor by the president of the association and other members of the board. He himself previously served as president of the association and currently acts as its legislative committee chair.

Despite enormous challenges that have directly affected the air transportation industry in recent years, Mr. Moshoginis has displayed great innovation in keeping our airports safe and efficient. It is because of his vision and direction that the Kalamazoo/Battle Creek International Airport has prospered, seeing an 11 percent increase in employment and approval of several new construction projects.

I was pleased that the Kalamazoo/Battle Creek International Airport recently received vital funding for ongoing construction of a new terminal. This expansion has been good for economic growth in our district and made the airport a more efficient gateway to southwest Michigan.

The honor bestowed upon Mr. Moshoginis is an achievement that makes us all very proud to have such a remarkable person serving the people of our district. Congratulations to Mr. Moshoginis and his employees for being recognized with this well-deserved achievement.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. CHARLES F. BASS

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Mr. BASS of New Hampshire. Mr. Speaker, on October 6, 2011, I had a family gathering and was not present for rollcall votes 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, and 770. Had I been present, I would have voted in the affirmative on rollcall vote 765 and against rollcall votes 766, 767, 768, 769, and 770.

TRIBUTE TO VOLUNTEERS OF NORTH BAY STAND DOWN

#### HON. GEORGE MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today and invite my colleagues to join me in honoring the work of the men and women who have organized and staffed the North Bay Stand Down, serving homeless military veterans in my 7th Congressional District for a full 10 years. This annual event has quite literally been a lifeline for countless veterans and their families who have found themselves without support or resources to make it on their own.

The North Bay Stand Down was established in 2002 as a one-day, one-stop shop for access to health care and social services. That first year, 100 volunteer workers enrolled 50 veterans in the VA system, provided job counseling to 10 participants, and prepared 150 meals. Over the years, the program has met the ever-growing need in our community by expanding to a full three-day event. Last year alone, 601 volunteers enrolled 265 veterans plus 15 family members in the Veterans Affairs system. In addition, they served 2,700

meals, provided job counseling to 101 participants, resolved 298 court cases, and provided medical services to 413 of the attendees.

Each year, the North Bay Stand Down has recorded remarkable success stories. Veterans have found employment as well as medical and dental care. Many have found the strength and support to commit to a sober lifestyle with the help of the psychiatric services on grounds. Families have been stabilized as they have made the connection to transitional housing programs and counseling services. And Stand Down has provided an opportunity for veterans to connect with old friends finding the critical support network that is born out of shared experiences.

Our military men and women have stepped up to answer our country's call, and what we do for them as a nation after they step out of the uniform must match that level of commitment. While the GI benefits have been expanded in recent years, it is clear that the needs of our returning veterans still outweigh the resources available. The North Bay Stand Down continues to fill in that gap. So many of our returning military veterans are finding barriers to their successful readjustment to civilian life. I am ever grateful for the men and women volunteers of North Bay Stand Down who, year after year, have helped knock those barriers down.