award-winning Call & Post Newspaper in celebration of its 95th anniversary.

Since 1916, the Call & Post has served as an integral resource of influence and action for the community, advocating for equal rights as well as celebrating the rich African American culture and heritage.

The Call & Post was birthed into existence by inventor Garrett A. Morgan. The paper came into prominence under the direction of William Otis Walker, who served as publisher for nearly 50 years. The Call & Post continues its legacy of bringing stories and key issues to the attention of our community after nearly 95 years of service.

I commend Donald King, civil rights activist George Forbes, Associate Publisher Constance Harper and all employees of the Call & Post for their extreme passion and willingness to continue to fight for our rights through freedom of speech.

November 3, 2011, is a day of celebration for the Call & Post for 95 years of commitment to the African American community. Congratulations and may you have continued success in the future!

> BONNEVILLE COUNTY CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, November 1, 2011

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure to congratulate Bonneville County on its 100th anniversary as an organized county in the great state of Idaho. Significant events over the past century have made for a colorful history, and this commemoration is a noteworthy event for both past and present residents of Bonneville County.

Bonneville County acquired its name from United States Army Captain B. L. E. Bonneville. He established a settlement in southeastern Idaho in the mid 1800s while exploring the Snake River area. On February 7, 1911, one hundred years ago, Bonneville County was born and that small establishment, known as Taylor's Crossing, then Eagle Rock, and now as Idaho Falls, became the heart of beautiful Bonneville County. Ammon, Iona, Irwin, Swan Valley, and Ucon are a few of the other towns located in this distinguished county.

A vast and naturally diverse landscape offering mountain ranges, the world-renowned South Fork of the Snake River, and national forests expanding to Idaho's border with Wyoming is home now to more than 104,000 people, making Bonneville County the fourth largest county in the state of Idaho. The county is also home to the Idaho National Laboratory and Grays Lake National Wildlife Refuge and is a regional cultural destination where you may enjoy the Idaho Falls Symphony, the Museum of Idaho, the Colonial Theatre, and several art galleries.

The citizens of Bonneville County demonstrate unity and a sense of pride through their deeply sown roots. Traditions, a variety of dynamic organizations, both large and small farms, unique entrepreneurship opportunities, and a willingness to extend a helping hand within the community appropriately characterize this community and our Idaho lifestyle.

It is a privilege to represent Bonneville County and the people who structure its prominence.

RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS DO-MESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 1, 2011

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. In 1989, Congress designated October as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month in order to raise awareness about the tragic social ill that is domestic violence, and to help bring attention to the efforts of those who are working to end it. Today, victims of domestic violence in the United States are more likely to report their situation to the authorities than they were three decades ago, and the number of fatal and non-fatal cases of domestic violence has declined significantly. The efforts of nonprofit organizations, such as the YWCA Harmony House located in my Congressional district, have assisted millions of victims of domestic abuse in making the best possible choices for their life and well-being.

While the number of domestic violence cases has indeed declined in the last few years, there are still millions of people experiencing some type of domestic abuse each year in the United States. An overwhelming number of these victims are women, who in many cases suffer in silence instead of seeking help. Sadly, victims often completely isolate themselves out of fear and shame of their abuse.

Mr. Speaker, it is estimated that one in four women in the United States will experience domestic violence during their lifetime. Women between the ages of 20 to 24 are the largest group of non-fatal abuse victims, while women under 24 suffer from the highest rates of rape and sexual abuse. Furthermore, women living in households at the lowest income level experience six times the rate of domestic abuse.

Domestic violence, however, is by no means limited to any one group. Due to numerous factors, including social stigma, many male victims of domestic abuse tend to remain silent. In addition, domestic abuse occurs in approximately 30 to 40 percent of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender (GLBT) relationships, contrary to the misconception that domestic abuse only affects certain individuals.

Young children who live in homes where spousal abuse takes place are also often victims of abuse themselves. In fact, it is estimated that 30 to 60 percent of people who take part in domestic violence against their partners also abuse children in their household. Sadly, some of these children grow up to be abusers themselves.

In 1994, I voted in favor of the Violence Against Women Act, historic legislation that established new criminal and civil enforcement resources to hold abusers accountable for their actions, while introducing tools to help victims seek justice. Additionally, as part of the Affordable Care Act, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) announced new

guidelines that will ensure women receive preventive health services without additional cost, including domestic violence screening and counseling. Under the Affordable Care Act, insurance companies can no longer classify domestic violence as a pre-existing condition.

Last year, I also voted in favor of reauthorizing the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act, which gives communities life-saving tools to help identify and treat child abuse or neglect. It also supports shelters, service programs, and the National Domestic Violence Hotline, providing victims with the critical resources they need.

Mr. Speaker, victims of domestic abuse should know that they are not alone. There are countless organizations all over this Nation who stand ready to help them. In Congress, I will continue to do everything in my power to speak out against domestic violence and ensure that our laws protect the well-being of all Americans.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE HONORABLE C. VIRGINIA FIELDS

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 1, 2011

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the Honorable C. Virginia Fields, an outstanding public servant who served as Manhattan Borough President, a Member of the New York City Council, and Chair of Manhattan's Community Board 10 in Harlem. In recognition of her many contributions to the civic life of our nation's greatest city, and specifically toward preserving and improving the quality of healthcare provided at Harlem Hospital, she is being honored this month by its Auxiliary on the occasion of the Hospital's centennial celebration occurring this month at the Alhambra Ballroom in upper Manhattan.

After her election in 1997 as Borough President of Manhattan, C. Virginia Fields became the chief executive officer of New York County, whose population then numbered more than a million and a half residents and grew significantly during her eight-year tenure. She became the highest ranking African-American elected official in New York City municipal government and just the third woman to assume the Manhattan Borough presidency, following in the footsteps of two great and distinguished women leaders, Constance Baker Motley and Ruth Messinger.

As Borough President, Virginia Fields focused on housing and education issues while helping to meet her constituents' needs on a broad range of concerns. She established a Manhattan Parents Convention; offered an eloquent and forceful voice for improving hospital care for Manhattan residents, particularly those living in underserved communities; and helped create a more favorable environment for small business owners and workers. As Borough President, C. Virginia Fields also literally helped pave the way for the second Harlem Renaissance, providing new opportunities for residents, businesses, and tourists alike and spearheading the restoration of Frederick Douglass Boulevard, which she dubbed "the backbone of Harlem." Throughout her tenure as Borough President, in the City Council, and on the Community Board,

she championed public libraries and schools, job training programs, quality health care, services for senior citizens, the environment, public parks, cultural institutions, and economic development, securing tens of millions of dollars in funding in all of these critical spheres of urban life.

Born in Birmingham, Alabama in 1946, C. Virginia Fields was the youngest of five children. Her mother was a seamstress who worked hard to support the family, particularly after her father, a steelworker, died when Virginia was just 12 years old. She developed her devotion to the pursuit of social justice in no small part thanks to the inspirational example of her mother, who was active in the local Baptist church where the late Reverend Fred L. Shuttlesworth, an associate of Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. during the civil rights struggles of the 1950s and 1960s, served as pastor.

C. Virginia Fields earned her Bachelor of Arts degree at Knoxville College and a Masters of Social Work degree at Indiana University before beginning her professional career as a social worker. Today, she remains universally admired by the people of the Borough of Manhattan, a remarkable feat in one of the most diverse and high-pressured political environments anywhere in America. She has been a leader of uncommon grace, energy, and devotion to those she serves.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my distinguished colleagues join me recognizing the enormous contributions to our civic and political life made by C. Virginia Fields, who has worked tirelessly and diligently throughout her career on behalf of the people of New York City and our nation.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, November 1, 2011

Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, today our national debt is \$14,993,709,044,140.78.

On January 6, 2009, the start of the 111th Congress, the national debt was \$10,638,425,746,293.80.

This means the national debt has increased by \$4,355,283,297,846.98 since then. This debt and its interest payments we are passing to our children and all future Americans.

MONTGOMERY INN 60TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. JEAN SCHMIDT

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, November 1, 2011

Mrs. SCHMIDT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 60th anniversary of one of Cincinnati's most treasured restaurants— Montgomery Inn.

In 1951, Ted and Matula Gregory purchased and renamed what was then a small bar in Montgomery, Ohio called McCabe's Inn. Known for her cooking, Matula would take dinner to her husband each night. One evening, Matula decided to test out a new recipe for ribs and barbecue sauce on her husband. Little did she know that her new recipe would soon be world famous. As a result of her delicious new recipe, the bar was quickly transformed into a restaurant. As their restaurant grew, so too did the town of Montgomery. The rest, as they say, is history.

Over the last 60 years, Montgomery Inn has grown to become one of the country's most well-known independent restaurants. The ribs have also taken on a life of their own and garnered something of a celebrity status. They have been enjoyed by countless dignitaries, athletes, celebrities, and every President from Ford to Obama. Montgomery Inn is proud to call the late Bob Hope their greatest ambassador.

With Matula still at the helm, all four of the Gregory children—Tom, Dean, Vickie, and Terry—are involved in the business. Mont-gomery Inn has grown from one small restaurant to a thriving business with four locations total in both Ohio and Kentucky. They also sell their world famous barbecue sauce nationwide. After 60 years, Ted's legacy is still going strong.

Like most Cincinnatians, my family has a long tradition of dining at Montgomery Inn. My own father was fortunate enough to call Ted Gregory a friend, and my daughter and son-inlaw celebrated their engagement at The Boathouse.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me in congratulating Montgomery Inn on their 60th anniversary, and I'm sure the citizens of Cincinnati look forward to 60 more years of Montgomery Inn.

HONORING COLEMAN GUY TAYLOR

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 1, 2011

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Coleman Guy Taylor. Coleman is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 43, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Coleman has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Coleman has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Coleman has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Coleman organized and planned a remodeling project for one of the Children's Ministry rooms in King Hill Baptist Church in St. Joseph, Missouri.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Coleman Guy Taylor for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout. HONORING MS. DIANA NEWTON, CO-FOUNDER OF THE SILVER STAR FAMILIES OF AMERICA

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, November 1, 2011

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor one of the 7th District of Missouri's most distinguished individuals, Diana Newton.

Diana has dedicated her life to serving those who serve our country. Growing up with a father and brother in the armed forces, she knows first-hand the sacrifices our troops and their families make every day to keep our country free.

One day, while speaking with a veteran's mother, Diana felt more should be done to recognize our combat veterans. She then decided to bring back the American tradition of Silver Star Service Banners.

Silver Star Service Banners, or hand-sewn silver stars on blue and red cloth, were popular during the First World War. Families of enlisted members would display the banners in the windows of their homes in recognition of their loved one's patriotism and sacrifice.

In 2004, Diana and her husband co-founded the Silver Star Families of America in the hopes of once again using the Silver Star Service Banners to honor the sacrifice of America's best and brightest. Thanks to Diana's hard work, the Silver Star Service Banner is again being presented to thousands of veterans across the country.

The Silver Star Families of America is now an esteemed board member of the Veterans Administration Volunteer Services and has delivered over \$2 million in donated materials to veterans throughout the United States. Diana's leadership has established the organization as a verifying organization with the Presidential Volunteer Awards Program, a testifying organization with the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee, and a sponsor of the Silver Star Banner Day on May 1st of every year.

A model citizen, Diana has been nominated as a CNN Hero of the Year, decorated with the Daily Point of Light award, the Missouri National Guard's Conspicuous Award, and received the 2010 Commendation and Gold Presidential Volunteer Services awards from former President George W. Bush.

Americans should be proud to know that people like Diana honor those who have dedicated their lives to protecting our freedoms. I too am proud, and I am honored, to call her my fellow citizen and neighbor in the 7th Congressional District of Missouri.

HONORING CAPTAIN GAYLEN WHITE

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 1, 2011

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Captain Gaylen White. Captain White retired on October 31, 2011 after 32 years with the City of Cameron Police Department.

Captain White has faithfully served the citizens of Cameron since 1979, joining the force