

10th, I believe it fitting to call to mind one of the basic elements of the Taiwan Relations Act (TRA) that has long guided America's worldwide relationships.

The TRA states in SEC 2(b)(4)

“... to consider any effort to determine the future of Taiwan by other than peaceful means, including by boycotts or embargoes, a threat to the peace and security of the Western Pacific area and of grave concern to the United States;”

The Taiwan Relations Act is monumental in the unique impact it has had in maintaining the Peace in the Pacific and our relationship with the nations of the Region.

Congratulations to Taiwan during this exciting time in your country's history and for helping to maintain peace in Southeast Asia.

CONGRATULATING HEALTH CENTRAL HOSPITAL ON 60TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. DANIEL WEBSTER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 20, 2012

Mr. WEBSTER. Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure to recognize the 60th anniversary of Health Central Hospital of Ocoee, Florida. Since 1952, the dedicated physicians and staff of Health Central Hospital have compassionately provided excellent healthcare services to residents across Central Florida.

West Orange Memorial Hospital, as it was originally named, moved from Winter Garden, Florida to Ocoee, Florida in 1993. Today, Health Central Hospital is an 85-acre medical facility, housing a 171-bed acute care hospital, physician offices, and a newly renovated 34-bed emergency center. Health Central's dedication to their patients is evident not only in their healthcare service, but also through their involvement in the community.

On behalf of the citizens of Central Florida, I am pleased to congratulate and applaud Health Central Hospital, along with their physicians and staff, for their efforts to enrich the lives of their patients and the Central Florida community for the past 60 years. May their example of compassion and dedication inspire others to follow in their footsteps.

HONORING FAIR FAMILY FARMS OF MANN'S CHOICE, PENNSYLVANIA

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 20, 2012

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Fair Family Farms of Mann's Choice, Pennsylvania. On September 5, 2012, the farm marked its 200 years of continuous ownership and operation by the descendants of Lewis Turner.

In 1812, Lewis Turner of Loudon County, Virginia, purchased the 241-acres that would become the original farm from the Estate of George Woods and from Dr. John and Mary Anderson of Bedford County. Lewis and his wife, Anna Maria Beltz, raised their six children on the farm. Following Lewis' death, his

eldest son Fredrick Turner purchased the farm on April 24, 1838. Frederick and his wife, Susannah Mahala Exline, raised their seven children on the farm and constructed a gristmill on the property, remnants of which are still visible today.

Upon Frederick Turner's death, the farm was divided between three of his sons. One of the three, Andrew Turner, purchased the 95-acre Parent Parcel, a portion of the original land that has remained in the family's possession since the original 1812 survey. In 1865, Andrew and his wife Anna Maria Hillegass constructed a barn and homestead in which they raised their eight children. The homestead remains in use to this day.

Following the death of Anna Maria, the farm passed to her daughter Mary M. Turner and her husband, John W. Fair, on December 20, 1912. On April 2, 1923, they transferred the property to one of their six children, Ralph A. Fair, and his wife, E. Mae Mowry. The farm changed hands again on February 12, 1959, when Ralph H. and Floyd A. Fair, two of Ralph and Mae's three sons, took possession of the property. Since 1979, Ralph and his wife, Geraldine V. Coughenour, have worked to acquire portions of the original land that had been subdivided and sold over the years, and now hold 226 of the original 241 acres. Throughout their 55 years of marriage, Ralph and Geraldine have always lived on the farm where Ralph was born and where they raised their six children, two of whom still live on the property.

After Floyd's death, full ownership of the farm passed to Ralph and Geraldine, on June 29, 2006. In 2008, Ralph and Geraldine created Fair Family Farms LLC to hold and preserve all the farm's land. They, as well as four of their children, are partners of the LLC, making them the 6th and 7th generation owners of the ancestral farm.

Since the farm's creation 200 years ago, it has remained an active dairy. Currently, Fair Family Farms is the only Pennsylvania Certified Organic dairy in Bedford County, producing milk, hay, corn and oats, as well as a significant poultry operation that produces millions of eggs each year.

It is quite an accomplishment to keep a farm productive and in the same family for seven generations. Happy bicentennial, Fair Family Farms, and best wishes for many more!

RECOGNIZING AND THANKING CAPTAIN ROD W. STUBBLEFIELD

HON. JEFF DENHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 20, 2012

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and thank Captain Rod W. Stubblefield for the time and energy he has dedicated to the Military Academy Nomination process by serving the constituents of the 19th Congressional District as a member of our Academy Selection Board.

Rod W. Stubblefield was born, raised, and schooled in Fresno, California. He graduated from California State University, Fresno (CSFU) with a Bachelor of the Arts and was a four-year letterman with the Fresno State Football Team. He returned to CSUF as a graduate student, where he earned his Mas-

ter's in Business Administration. For 51 years, he has been a Trustee and Board Member of the Bulldog Foundation at Fresno State University and is a devoted fan and supporter of Bulldog Football.

He has been married to Carol Stubblefield for 52 years, and their family has traveled extensively. They have been blessed with two sons, Tim and Curtis, and two grandchildren, Tori and Nicholas.

Captain Stubblefield entered the United States Navy as a Seaman Recruit in January, 1951. He was a member of the 12-1 Surface Division while he completed his undergraduate education. In August of 1954, Mr. Stubblefield was commissioned as an Ensign in U.S. Navy.

His professional schooling includes Department of Defense Graduate Studies, Boeing Aircraft Management Studies, National Security Management School, and studies at the Naval War College. Captain Stubblefield holds Active Duty Certification specialties in Explosive Ordinance Disposal, Master Deep Sea Diver, Scuba Diver, and Extensive Training in Atomic, Biological, and Nuclear Warfare and Terrorist Insurgency. In addition, he is a surface-qualified officer. He has served numerous tours at sea, including U.S.S. Laws DD 558, U.S.S. Renville APA 227, U.S.S. Estes LCC 12, along with many more.

Captain Stubblefield's major shore duties include Commanding officer: Naval Ammunition Depot, Hawthorne, Nevada; Officer in Charge: Naval Riverine Operations and Special Forces, Mare Island, California; Officer in Charge: Counterinsurgency Training with EOD, Unit 1, Hawaii; and Officer in Charge: US Navy Elk Hills, California, Petroleum Facility. Captain Stubblefield retired from the active service with the U.S. Navy on July 1, 1985.

Capstain Stubblefield continues to serve his country as a representative of the U.S. Naval Academy. In 1973, the Navy assigned Capt. Stubblefield as the Central California Blue and Gold Officer. He currently represents thirty schools in the Central Valley. He has served on five Congressional All Academy Nominating Committees and is currently assigned to the 19th Congressional District of California. Captain Stubblefield greatly helped me during my term in Congress and has served honorably for Congressmen Sisk, Krebs, Coehlo and Radanovich.

Beyond his significant military career, Captain Stubblefield has been employed by New York Life and NYLIFE Securities for 56 years as a Financial Planner and Agent. The Stubblefield Office specialized in Business, Personal and Estate Planning. Captain Stubblefield has been a Club Member for 45 years and also holds the Chartered Life Underwriter and Charter Financial Consultant designations. The Stubblefield Family has a combined service to New York Life for over 200 years. Captain Stubblefield has also been Life Member of the Million Dollar Round Table for 37 years.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring Captain Rod W. Stubblefield for his outstanding service to his country and community. He has served the U.S. Navy for a total of 61 years, including 39 years at the Blue and Gold Officer to the United States Naval Academy. This service, along with his dedicated work as part of the Academy Selection Board, makes him an invaluable asset to his community. He is a true public servant, and I wish him continued success in his future endeavors.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH DENBIGH
150TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 20, 2012

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate a legacy of faith in Virginia's Third Congressional District. This year, First Baptist Church Denbigh in Newport News is celebrating its 150th anniversary, and I would like to take a moment to reflect on the history of this esteemed institution and its contributions to the greater Hampton Roads community.

The story of First Baptist Church Denbigh begins in July 1862 as the Civil War raged. A Recognizing Council was called to meet at the old Denbigh Baptist Church. They chose Rev. Peter Banks to lead the congregation. Rev. T. G. Wright became the second pastor, serving from 1863 to 1869. During his administration, the white community returned to claim their church building. Rev. Wright and congregation moved to the current location, building a small house of worship.

During the tenure of Rev. T. G. Nettles (1870–1881), a larger house was built to accommodate increased membership and the church was renamed to "First Baptist Church of Warwick County." Other ministers were Reverends Watt Talton (1882–1883), J. B. Whiting (1883–1887), Robert H. Nazareth (1887–1912), T. C. Williams (1912–13), A. A. Hudgins (1913–26), Isaac Daniel (1926–32), J. D. Atkins (1933–40), and Joseph H. Brown (1941–48), all of whom added to the church in both physical form and spiritual leadership. During this period, the church was renamed "First Baptist Church Denbigh."

For the next ten years, the church received sermons from Reverends B F. Burton and I. L. Buie along with other leaders. Later ministers were Reverends Samuel Fladger (1959–63), T. T. Brown (1963–67), and Albert L. Hill (1968–73), who initiated a bond sale to build a new air conditioned facility, with an indoor baptismal pool, which held its first services in 1972.

Rev. Herbert A. Hill, Jr. began his pastorate in 1974 and gave the church the strength to endure though a tragic fire in 1986 which destroyed the church edifice. For a time, services were held in schools and other places in the community. In 1987, Rev. Hill's tenure as pastor ended and associate pastors provided guidance to the flock.

In 1987, Edward Talton, a deacon for more than 40 years, was called into the ministry. Rev. Talton preached only two sermons from the pulpit before his death, but his life was a sermon in itself. In 1988, Rev. Haywood Barnes was voted to serve as interim pastor. Since 1988, Rev. Ivan T. Harris has led services, assuming the full-time pastorate in October 1991. Through Pastor Harris' efforts, the church's 25 year mortgage was burned on October 9, 1994—after only 6½ years.

Over the years, the First Baptist community has continued to flourish. Successful fund-raising has afforded the church handicap-accessible transportation, a new Church Bell, an Education Center, Child Development Center,

Family Life Center, and modern technologies. In addition to Sunday prayers, the church offers Summer Bible School, The Bible Institute, and GED, Homebound and Short Term Suspension programs. It provides over 30 ministries and is home to several choirs. The Church leads charitable causes including the The Hunt Food Locker, Food Mobile, Summer Feeding Program, an Outreach Center for women's transitional housing, a Clothes Closet, and the adoption of a low-income neighborhood.

Perhaps the most notable activity of the church is their African Village Adoption Project, initiated in 2005. Members have selected a native from Benin, Africa for adoption. The Church as a whole has provided a water well, microbanking program, motorcycles, books, a Christian School, and medical and worship facilities.

As First Baptist Church Denbigh gathers to celebrate this historic milestone, the church can truly remember its past, celebrate its present, and focus on its future. I would like to congratulate Pastor Harris and all of the 2,500 members of First Baptist Church Denbigh on the occasion of their 150th Anniversary. I wish them many more years of dedicated service to the community.

GARTH PATTERSON—FRIEND OF
THE FISHERMEN, FRIEND OF
MASSACHUSETTS, AND MY
GREAT FRIEND

HON. BARNEY FRANK

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 20, 2012

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I have never had to learn more about an issue in my life than when I learned in 1992 that the City of New Bedford and its fishing industry was included in the new Congressional district that I have proudly represented. New Bedford is one of the most successful fishing ports in the county, and in fact for the 12th consecutive year New Bedford had the highest-valued catch of any port in the United States. Fishing is not only a vital part of the economy of the region, but an integral component of its culture and social makeup. I could not represent the needs of such a unique community without a talented staff, and I am honored that my long-time aide, Garth Patterson, is the recipient of the 2012 Friend of the Fisherman Award recognizing his exemplary work.

He received this award from the fishing community of New Bedford because of the high quality of the work he has done to provide the kind of first-rate public service and advocacy that is so essential to the continued survival of the fishing industry. In some cases, our advocacy can be uncomplicated, but there are also cases where mastering a very complex body of data is essential if we are to do our job right. Garth provided me with an extraordinary degree of technical expertise, practical knowledge, political savvy, and an ability to understand all viewpoints and articulate his own. He has been an enormous asset not only to me, but also to those concerned with the survival of the fishing industry.

Mr. Speaker, I join the fishermen in thanking Garth. He is a tireless advocate for the com-

munity, and his nearly quarter century of public service is the quintessential model of how constituent relations should be conducted. I am proud that he is receiving this award, proud of his hard work for the people of Massachusetts, and proud to call him my friend.

RECOGNIZING DR. PAT STROH

HON. GEORGE MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 20, 2012

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise with my colleagues Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI, Congresswoman BARBARA LEE, Congressman JERRY MCNERNEY, and Congressman PETE STARK to recognize Dr. Pat Stroh, the Director of the Family and Children's Services Program in Contra Costa County and congratulate her on her well-earned retirement.

Dr. Stroh earned her Master's Degree from Ball State University and her Doctorate in Education Early Childhood Focus from Walden University. Prior to coming to Contra Costa County in 1998, she served as Director of Head Start in Lexington, Kentucky and directed a U.S. Army Child Development Program in Europe.

Over the years, Dr. Stroh's outstanding work in public service has demonstrated her strong commitment to the children and families of Contra Costa County. Under her leadership, Contra Costa's Head Start Child Development Program's enrollment more than doubled and expanded from a part-day, part-year schedule to close to a full-day, full-year program. In addition, during very difficult economic times, Dr. Stroh was also able to more than double the program budget.

Dr. Stroh's interest and influence extends well beyond our county's borders. As a member of the Board of the National Head Start Association as well as the California Head Start Association, she has worked diligently to enhance and expand the collaborative efforts of these organizations. Pat has also served as Validator and Mentor with the National Association for the Education of Young Children. As a result, the United States Congress was quick to recognize Dr. Stroh as the 2008 California Head Start Association Administrator of the Year for Invaluable Service to the Community.

Our community and Dr. Stroh's colleagues have honored her numerous times, recognizing her passion for children and her ability to develop programs that improve their chance of success in the world. As we well recognize, the success of our children bodes well for the success of our families and our entire community.

Today, we invite our colleagues to join us in honoring Dr. Pat Stroh once again for her dedicated service to the families and children of Contra Costa County. We are pleased to join her family, colleagues and friends in congratulating her on a long and highly successful career and wish her a happy and healthy retirement.