

development of a program designed to provide a new, stable, financially responsible set of public schools that create the conditions, supports, tools and resources under which teachers can help students make significant academic gains. It will first apply to underperforming schools in Detroit in the 2012–2013 school years and then be expanded to include low performing schools throughout Michigan.

Maria was a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated. Throughout her life, she was actively involved in community service and received numerous honors and awards for these efforts.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me in remembering this barrier-breaking educator. Dr. Maria Goodloe-Johnson was a trailblazer and an innovator in the public school arena. Her expertise and enthusiasm will be sorely missed, but her contributions will live on in perpetuity.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DORIS BEACH

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 12, 2012

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Doris L. Beach, who passed from this life on November 13, 2012 at age 74. Doris was a true humanitarian and gave of herself fully. For more than forty years, Doris Beach was the face of Green Thumb, now known as Experience Works Inc. linking capable older adults with employment. A tireless advocate in pursuit of job opportunities for older adults, that service was her passion.

One of six children, Doris Beach graduated from high school in Pittsburgh. She briefly worked in a hospital and broadcasting, but soon found her calling as she set out to make Toledo's Green Thumb the best senior employment service. She sought out employers, when necessary taught them the value of hiring older workers, and matched older workers to the jobs. Explained her longtime colleague Billie Johnson, president of the Area Office on Aging of Northwest Ohio, "She was so out-of-the box and didn't think in traditional terms of how to find employers who would hire retirees. She went above and beyond and knew how to help a retiree package a skill set." Doris knew the work ethic of older adults, understood their needs and guided them toward their potential. She was an inspiration to all who knew her, an amazing woman. We knew her for her "ready smile, a raspy voice, compassion and an air of authority" and she was endeared to us all.

In addition to her life's work, Doris Beach gave to her church, St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church, and her family was most important. She was a well-loved sister and aunt. We share her family's sorrow at her passing, and hope they find comfort in the gift that was her remarkable life. Through Doris' life-giving counsel and street smarts borne of struggle, her persevering work bettered the lives of thousands of older Americans and gave them added meaning and purpose. Our community remains indebted always to the ethic of service to others her life embodies.

HEISMAN WINNER JOHNNY MANZIEL

HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 12, 2012

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, last weekend, America watched as Kerrville, Texas' own star quarterback received College Football's most prestigious award—the Heisman trophy.

Johnny Manziel, the Tivy High School graduate and current Texas A&M University quarterback, became the first college freshman to follow in the footsteps of some of the sport's greatest athletes.

Known by his fans as "Johnny Football," it seems as if Manziel was born to play the game. His first year at Tivy High School, Manziel started out on the freshman football team. By the end of the season, he was playing on Varsity. He was the only quarterback in America named as a Parade All-American his senior year.

This year, Manziel led the Aggies to a victory over Alabama, the number one ranked team in the nation. He is the first freshman and only the fifth player in the NCAA to pass for 3000 yards and rush for 1000 yards in a season.

The champion who Americans have now been introduced to is the same humble young man that Kerrville, Texas, has known all along. Hard work, determination and graciousness have been Johnny Manziel's trademark all along.

From the halls of Congress, and from the heart of Texas District 21, congratulations, Johnny, on well-deserved award.

CA DEMOCRATIC DELEGATION

HON. BRAD SHERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 12, 2012

Mr. SHERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to offer my thanks and best wishes to the members of the California Democratic delegation who will be departing at the end of this Congress.

Starting with departing members toward the northern portion of the state, I can say that Congress is losing two of its most important and effective progressive champions, LYNN WOOLSEY and PETE STARK.

LYNN has been a strong advocate for peaceful solutions to the world's problems, and her voice for peace and disarmament will be missed. She was one of the most vocal and consistent opponents of the war in Iraq, and fought to stop the surges in both Iraq and Afghanistan. I have been proud to work with her over the past several years to bring a responsible end to the wars. LYNN has also been a forceful advocate on education and children's issues.

I know LYNN will stay involved in progressive causes, and I look forward to continuing to work with her in her new role as President of Americans for Democratic Action. But her compassionate efforts in Congress will be difficult to replace.

The thing I will remember most about PETE STARK is that he was always a fighter for af-

fordable healthcare. With the passage of the Affordable Care Act, we will soon see the day when every person in the country has health insurance. For many years I cosponsored a bill offered by PETE that would have at least provided a guarantee of healthcare for children in this country. It was outrageous that children were not provided guaranteed health insurance or covered by the government in this country, and PETE worked to end that outrage. Of course, PETE was instrumental in the passage of the Affordable Care Act as the chair of the Health Subcommittee, and we owe him a debt of gratitude for those efforts.

Southern California is losing several members who will likewise be missed.

HOWARD BERMAN and I ran against each other in 2012. Nothing that happened during that campaign has lessened my admiration for HOWARD as a public servant and legislator. In the 40 years since his first election to the State Assembly, he has provided California and the country with exemplary service. In fact, as a long serving member of the Foreign Affairs Committee and its former Chairman, this service extended to the world.

HOWARD could have enjoyed the comfort and financial benefits of working in the private sector, but instead chose to serve the public. From local Valley projects such as preserving the Santa Monica Mountains, improving the Hansen Dam, and rebuilding Kaiser Permanente Hospital after the 1994 quake, we owe him a sincere debt of gratitude.

He has been a longtime champion of farm workers, starting with his work with Cesar Chavez and the Agricultural Labor Relations Act, which grants farmworkers the right to organize and bargain with their employers. HOWARD has been a consistent advocate for the entertainment industry, working to protect the jobs of so many residents of the San Fernando Valley.

Under his direction as the top Democrat on the Foreign Affairs Committee since 2008, our foreign aid program has better protected American interests abroad and allowed for a more stable world. Through projects like the Iron Dome missile shield and enabling Israelis to apply for E-2 Visas, he has strengthened the U.S.-Israel relationship. HOWARD has also helped fight against global HIV/AIDS and alleviate suffering in the poorest countries. HOWARD has built a legacy of effective leadership. He will be missed in Congress.

While LAURA RICHARDSON only served three terms in the House, she was an effective leader for her diverse district. She became a respected expert on intermodal transportation issues despite serving only a brief time in Washington. The Ports of LA and Long Beach, and those that work or do business there, will miss her efforts here to improve the transit of goods across the country. Very few members of this House better understand the importance of transit infrastructure, and the need to pay for it wisely, than LAURA.

I have greatly enjoyed serving with my friend, JOE BACA, on the Financial Services Committee and in Congress generally. JOE served his country, first in the Army and then in Congress. JOE served as Chairman of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus from 2007–2008. He fought hard for the rights of immigrants and the wider Latino community in the United States.

And finally, I wish my friend Bob Filner success as he continues on his career in public service as the mayor of San Diego. The

people of that great city have gained a strong leader—Congress has unfortunately lost one of its most important advocates for veterans. Bob began fighting for a better America as a young man—as one of the Freedom Riders to go to the American South to fight for civil

rights, where he was arrested. During his tenure as Chairman of the Veterans Affairs Committee, funding for VA healthcare increased 60 percent and funding for VA home lending increased by 50 percent.

Mr. Speaker, again, I thank my friends for their decades of public service, and wish them only the best in whatever they do after Congress. They will all be missed.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, December 13, 2012 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

DECEMBER 18

Time to be announced

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Business meeting to consider pending calendar business.

SR-253

9:30 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Securities, Insurance and Investment Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine computerized trading venues, focusing on what should the rules of the road be.

SD-538

2:30 p.m.

Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters.

SH-219

DECEMBER 19

10 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine consumer credit reports.

SD-538

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the state of the right to vote after the 2012 election.

SD-226

DECEMBER 20

2:30 p.m.

Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters.

SH-219