

The Paycheck Fairness Act is a common-sense piece of legislation that will ensure equal pay for all hardworking Americans. There is no basis for which pay discrimination should ever exist, and allowing this to continue undermines our Nation's economic recovery and our commitment to equality.

Mr. Speaker, fairness and equality are basic fundamentals that we must promote as a democratic Nation. Allowing pay discrimination on the basis of sex is not consistent with those principles, and I urge this Congress to take action against it. The Paycheck Fairness Act will provide a solid foundation on which we can build to promote fairness and equality in the workplace. As an original cosponsor of this important piece of legislation, I will continue to advocate for the rights of women all across the country.

MIGUEL CALDERON

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Miguel Calderon for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Miguel Calderon is an 11th grader at Jefferson Senior High and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Miguel Calderon is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Miguel Calderon for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all his future accomplishments.

HONORING DR. THOMAS CHAFER
PRINCE, JR.

HON. JOHN J. DUNCAN, JR.

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I wish today to honor one of the most well-known and selfless men in my District. Dr. Thomas Chafer Prince, Jr. passed away recently at the age of 85.

Dr. Prince was a well-known physician and surgeon in my District for 64 years, and he undoubtedly touched the lives of thousands of people in many positive ways.

He also served his country admirably in the Korean war in the United States Air Force and continued to fly throughout his life.

One of his favorite activities was to sing in a barbershop quartet called The Dignitaries, which was inducted into the Hall of Fame.

He was also a family man with a deep faith in God who studied biblical prophecy and was scheduled to preach at Harvest Christian Fellowship the week he passed away.

I offer my condolences to his wife, Gail; children, Thomas, III, Gayle, Gary, and Steven; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues and other readers of the RECORD to join me in celebrating the remarkable life of Dr. Thomas Chafer Prince, Jr.

I can think of no more fitting tribute to Dr. Prince than to request the proclamation by Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett honoring his life be reprinted into the RECORD.

A PROCLAMATION ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE
OF KNOX COUNTY

By His Honor The Mayor Tim Burchett To
Publicly Recognize

IN MEMORY OF THOMAS C. PRINCE, JR. M.D.

Whereas; On October 9, 2011, at the age of 85, Thomas C. Prince, Jr. passed away; and

Whereas; He graduated from Knoxville High School at the age of 15, the University of Tennessee at age 17 and the University of Tennessee Medical School at Memphis at age 19. Dr. Prince began practicing medicine at the age of 21 and practiced for 64 years until his death; and

Whereas; He served in the United States Air Force as a flight surgeon in the Korean War. Dr. Prince sang with his barber shop quartet, The Dignitaries, and was inducted into the Hall of Fame. He served as a physician for the University of Tennessee track teams under coaches Rohe and Huntsman. He was an avid runner and outdoorsman who taught bible classes and was a student of the scripture; and

Whereas; He was dedicated to his wife and four children; and

Whereas; Knox County wishes to memorialize Thomas Chafer Prince, Jr. M.D. for his lifetime of service and achievement.

Now, Therefore, I, Mayor Tim Burchett, Knox County Mayor do hereby proclaim this day in memory of Thomas C. Prince, Jr. M.D.

In Knox County, and urge all citizens to join in this observance.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT
AND RELATED AGENCIES
APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2013

SPEECH OF

HON. RUSS CARNAHAN

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 1, 2012

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 5325) making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes:

Mr. CARNAHAN. Mr. Chair, I rise in support of the Moran Amendment.

The streams, lakes, and wetlands of America are in desperate need of protection. These areas provide citizens with clean drinking water, are essential to sports and recreation, and, importantly to my district in St. Louis, protect cities from floods. The Army Corps of Engineers, and the Environmental Protection Agency developed a guidance plan this past summer to clarify the jurisdiction of the Clean Water Act, the paramount piece of legislation protecting these important areas. This guidance will confirm the water protections we depend on to keep our water safe. Thus, I sup-

port the Moran Amendment which would eliminate Section 110. Section 110 prevents the Corps from doing a critical part of its job: maintaining our country's significant water resources.

The Corps has already proposed guidance that would significantly clarify the Clean Water Act and ensure the safety of American waterways. Without these clarifications, 20 million acres of wetlands will continue to be left without legal protections. The American public depends on this Act for clean drinking water, protection from flood waters, and maintaining the habitats of important wildlife. The American public depends on us to support the Corps and place safeguards to keep our water clean. I urge my colleagues to vote in support of the Moran Amendment and not prevent the Army Corp of Engineers from doing their job. We must allow the Army Corps of Engineers to clarify the scope of the Clean Water Act, so that Americans can trust their waterways are clean.

RYAN HOEFLER

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Ryan Hoefer for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Ryan Hoefer is a 7th grader at Everitt Middle School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Ryan Hoefer is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Ryan Hoefer for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all his future accomplishments.

IN RECOGNITION OF MIDDLESEX
COUNTY RETIRED EDUCATORS
ASSOCIATION 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Middlesex County Retired Educators Association of New Jersey (MCREA) in celebration of their 50th anniversary. The organization continues to organize in support of various social, educational and financial issues concerning retired educators throughout Middlesex County and New Jersey. Their services to the constituents of New Jersey are worthy of this body's recognition.

The Middlesex County Retired Educators Association is dedicated to protecting the rights of many retired educators throughout

Middlesex County, New Jersey. MCREA has made the protection of the retired school employees' state pension fund and insuring the continuation of current health care benefits among its top priorities. MCREA members are active in their community and have organized assistance programs for nursing home residents, and delivered food for the needy and financial assistance to students. They have also organized various social functions for members to attend various cultural performances and historic sites as well as extended trips throughout the United States and various foreign countries. Today, MCREA is proudly represented by over 1,675 members throughout Middlesex County and New Jersey.

Mr. Speaker, once again, please join me in congratulating the Middlesex County Retired Educators Association for 50 years of service. Their efforts continue to enhance the lives of retired educators throughout Middlesex County and New Jersey.

HONORING JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

HON. SHELLEY BERKLEY

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Ms. BERKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mark Jewish American Heritage Month.

My family's story is very much an American Jewish story. On my father's side of the family, from the Russia-Poland border, an entire 1,000-year culture was wiped out as a result of World War II. My mother's side of the family comes from Thessaloniki, Greece, where there was a very vibrant Jewish community prior to World War II, totaling half of the city's entire population. But by the time the Nazis finished, there were only 1,000 Jews left there and I am not presumptuous enough to think that my family would have been among those chosen to live.

My family escaped both the Russia-Poland area and Thessaloniki in order to come to our Nation's shores. And I grew up hearing stories of what their lives had been and how thrilled they were to come to the safe haven of the United States of America. It was the very survival of my family. Had they stayed where they lived in Europe, we would have been exterminated in the Holocaust, but we came to this remarkable country, where we've not only survived, but we've thrived.

When my grandparents came here—and this is a story that is so common among American Jewish families—they couldn't speak English. They had no money. They had no skills. The only thing they had was a dream that their children and their children's children would have a better life here in the United States than they had where they came from.

We American Jews are lucky to be a part of the fabric of this great country, to have full acceptance, to be able to access the highest levels of power, to be able to effectuate meaningful change in a very positive way by participating in the American political process. We have made more than a life for ourselves in the United States of America. We are very proud Americans, and we are very proud Jews. And we appreciate so much the fact that this country offered so many remarkable opportunities and gave us a chance not only

for survival, but to become a part of something so much bigger than ourselves.

I urge my colleagues to join me in marking this special occasion.

NALENE CASTANEDA-ROMERO

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Nalene Castaneda-Romero for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Nalene Castaneda-Romero is a 12th grader at Pomona High and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Nalene Castaneda-Romero is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Nalene Castaneda-Romero for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all her future accomplishments.

MARSHWOOD HIGH SCHOOL WE THE PEOPLE TEAM

HON. CHELLIE PINGREE

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Ms. PINGREE of Maine. I would like to congratulate a group of students in my district who have earned a national title in their understanding of constitutional issues in a changing world.

Participating in the national round of this year's We the People competition in April, Isabella Burke, Catherine Pouliot, and Samantha Silver of Marshwood High School in South Berwick, Maine, took first place in the unit on "What challenges might face American constitutional democracy in the twenty-first century?"

I am very proud of the level at which these students performed especially on a question of such importance to our country.

I would also like to congratulate advisor Matt Sanzone and the rest of the Marshwood team for making it to nationals for a fifth year. It is an incredible statement of this school's dedication in teaching students the foundations of American democracy.

HONORING RABBI MENACHEM MENDEL AND NECHAMA DINA MANGEL

HON. JON RUNYAN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. RUNYAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise this evening to pay tribute to two of my constitu-

ents from southern New Jersey. Rabbi Menachem Mendel and Nechama Dina Mangel, are known to their friends as Rabbi Mendy and Dinie. They are a Chabad-Lubavitch Chassidic couple who were married in 1992 in Brooklyn, New York. They have directed Chabad Lubavitch of Camden and Burlington Counties, since settling in their New Jersey community in 1994.

Rabbi Mendy received his Rabbinical ordination in New York and together they began to offer a wide-range of educational programs to increase Jewish knowledge and observance in the area. By the spring of 1994, the Chabad Lubavitch Center was established in a storefront in Voorhees, Chabad Hebrew School was inaugurated, and Shabbat services began. In April of 2002, to accommodate the increasing number of programs and participants, Chabad moved to its present home in Cherry Hill. Rabbi Mendy and Dinie have since expanded their activities into Burlington County. In 2004, they brought Rabbi Yitzchok and Baili Kahan on board to begin the Gan Israel Day Camp at Chabad and to assist with the general growth and expansion of activities at the center. More recently, in the summer of 2010, Rabbi Menachem and Shterna Kaminker joined the staff, to work with the Hebrew-speaking community.

The Mangels are the proud parents of eight wonderful children, ka"n, ranging in age from 18–2 years. Many people have come to know Rabbi Mendy and Dinie and their children through their involvement and service to their community. They participate in their community's annual Menorah lighting ceremony, deliver Purim gift packages, teach classes in the synagogue, or invite friends and neighbors in to their home to enjoy a delicious and spirited Shabbat meal. They have opened their home and their hearts to share the warmth of Jewish life and tradition with the many Jews in our area. Rabbi Mendy and Dinie and their family have devoted their lives to ignite a passion for greater commitment to Jewish life in all whom they meet.

Rabbi Mendy will be honored this week at the annual Chai Gala celebration in Cinnaminson, New Jersey and I urge my colleagues to join me in offering my most sincere congratulations.

SAMANTHA GROENHOF

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 5, 2012

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Samantha Groenhof for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Samantha Groenhof is a 7th grader at Drake Middle School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Samantha Groenhof is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Samantha Groenhof for winning the Arvada