

Victor was raised by his loving grandmother, Ms. Reola Moore who he cherishes. She encouraged him to reach for the stars and become a success story in his own right. He excelled in elementary school and upon graduating he entered Coahoma County High School. During his freshmen year, he was sent to the Alternative School twice, failed and was retained. After making it to his sophomore year, he returned to the Alternative School and made it through his junior and senior year of high school without any disciplinary problems, and was a team member of the basketball and football teams.

Victor has successfully overcome his struggles, and in May 2013 will be the first to graduate high school in his family.

Victor has learned the importance of an education, and plans to further his education at Coahoma Community College in Clarksdale, Mississippi to become a licensed barber. Upon completing his degree he desires to open his own barber shop where he will be able to give back to his community and assist his family.

Victor credits his teachers, Mr. John Howard, Ms. Tonja Taylor, Ms. Wilma Bays, Ms. Sonya Rockett and his school guidance counselor, Ms. LaTasha Stringer, for seeing what he can become and not giving up on him.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Victor Moore for his dedication in being an outstanding student.

HONORING DOMAINE CHANDON'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 9, 2013

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Domaine Chandon Winery on the occasion of their 40th year in production in the Napa Valley. Founded in 1973, it was the first winery in America established by a French wine and spirits producer.

The Moët & Chandon partnership sought prime growing locations in the Napa Valley, and selected vineyards in Mt. Veeder, Carneros, and Yountville to carry on their tradition of excellence. Today, Domaine Chandon continues as a leader in the winemaking field, using sustainable farming practices to maintain their 1,000 acres in the Napa Valley.

The Domaine Chandon Winery has served as a training ground for many industry leaders in the areas of winery management, winemaking, grapegrowing, the culinary arts, restaurant management and farming. The company released their first sparkling wine in 1976, and today their innovative practices in sparkling wine production are followed by sparkling wine producers throughout the world.

Domaine Chandon's history of excellence does not stop at sparkling wine. More than a quarter of its employees have been with the winery for more than 20 years, and the company hired the first sparkling wine maker in the United States. The winery's culture maintains high standards of excellence and innovation.

Mr. Speaker, it is appropriate at this time that we acknowledge Domaine Chandon for their immense contribution to the Napa Valley.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 9, 2013

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall Nos. 305, 306, and 307, on July 8, 2013, I was unable to be on the floor for votes. Due to weather delays and aircraft problems at the Detroit Airport. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

IN MEMORY OF CINDY ANN KOSSER DUBOIS

HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 9, 2013

Mr. BRADY of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I stand today to honor the memory of a bright light for the arts that my community lost on Tuesday, July 2nd. But more importantly, Andy DuBois and their children, Madeline, 15, and Hunter, 11, lost a wonderful wife and a special mother.

From her birth in Austin she grew up in New Braunfels where she was class president and homecoming queen at Canyon High School. She graduated from the University of Texas where she met the love of her life, Andy. At every step in her life Cindy DuBois put her heart and soul into everything she did.

She started her career deep in the Rio Grande Valley at a PBS station in Harlingen and went on to manage public relations for South Padre Island before her family moved to The Woodlands and she found her calling in the arts. From helping grow major events like The Woodlands Children's Festival and the Waterway Arts Festival, Cindy DuBois will always be remembered for her smile and her determination to bring the arts to everyone.

It's fitting that her CEO called her a "driving force" for the arts, because under Cindy DuBois' leadership, attendance nearly tripled for art events at The Woodlands' famed Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion. From the Houston Symphony to performances by the Houston Ballet and the Houston Grand Opera and many more artists, the growing enthusiasm for the arts in The Woodlands is a testament to Cindy DuBois. The outreach, savvy marketing/public relations efforts, and many smiles from this 2007 graduate of Leadership Montgomery County moved mountains.

That same spirit, determination and grace sustained her during a lengthy battle with cholangiocarcinoma, a rare cancer. At her touching and emotional funeral service held July 5th at The Woodlands Pavilion, where her remarkable children, sisters, friends and family paid tribute to her, it's clear The Woodlands and all who know her have been touched forever by Cindy's positive attitude and infectious glass-half-full philosophy.

As Andy, Madeline, and Hunter begin a much different phase as a family, they have wonderful memories of bowls of homemade salsa, scary movies and board games and her cheers at Rush soccer and ORWALL baseball. While the community is heartbroken, we are

so grateful for all Cindy has given us to remember her by. In every concert, in every fine arts performance, I'm confident she will always be there.

TRIBUTE TO MISS STEPHANIE MICHELLE COLLUM

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 9, 2013

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a bright young lady, Miss Stephanie Michelle Collum.

Stephanie Michelle Collum, a lifelong resident of Benton, Mississippi, was born on September 22, 1994. She is a part of the 2013 Yazoo County High School graduating class.

Stephanie believes in the old adage, "a mind is a terrible thing to waste," and for this reason she strives for excellence. She is active in both school and community activities. She is a member of the American Legion, National Honor Society, and both the volleyball and softball teams at school. Recently, Stephanie was selected to attend the Lock Heed Martin 5th Information Technology Day because of her academic achievements. Also she is a member of the JROTC where she was promoted to the leadership of 1st Sergeant and received the National Fitness Award.

Stephanie is a faithful member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Benton, MS where she sings in the choir. Recognizing that each day is a gift from God, she strives to live each day with purpose.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Miss Stephanie Michelle Collum for her hard work, dedication and a strong desire to achieve.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. GWEN MOORE

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 9, 2013

Ms. MOORE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today regarding my absence from the House for the first vote on the evening of July 8, 2013. I would like to submit how I would have voted had I been in attendance for the following vote:

Rollcall No. 305, on Agreeing to On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, as Amended, H.R. 1341. I would have voted "yea."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LOIS CAPPS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 9, 2013

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I was not able to be present for the following rollcall vote on July 8, 2013 and would like the record to reflect that I would have voted as follows:

Rollcall No. 306: "no."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ANN KIRKPATRICK

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 9, 2013

Mrs. KIRKPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, due to my attendance at the memorial service in Arizona for the Prescott Fire Department's Granite Mountain Hotshots, I will miss votes today, July 9, 2013.

HONORING MS. QUIN'NITA COBBINS

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 9, 2013

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Ms. Quin'Nita Cobbins who is a dedicated worker making changes to the Holmes County community.

Quin'Nita Cobbins is a native of Mississippi and has completed her primary and secondary education in the Holmes County School District. In 2010, she graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor's Degree in history from Fisk University and completed a master's degree in history at the University of Georgia in 2012.

Ms. Cobbins has served Holmes County by working with the Community Students Learning Center in equipping students with tools needed to expand their worldview, enriching their knowledge on academic subjects, and encouraging college prep. Working with school age children and adults, she used her study abroad experience to construct a class that exposed students to the history, culture, and language found in Spain. Students learned the history of Spain's expansion and colonization in the supposedly "New World" and why we have a growing Spanish-speaking population. In addition, students, both young and old, learned how to form simple conversations in Spanish that will be beneficial to them as the U.S. demographics change. Students not only became new "bilingual" speakers but were able to think more globally.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ms. Quin'Nita Cobbins for her sincere dedication and determination in bringing back knowledge to our community.

HONORING MR. JULIUS CIACCIA ON BECOMING PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CLEAN WATER AGENCIES

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 9, 2013

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I wish to congratulate Mr. Julius Ciaccia, Executive Director of the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District, on his election as President of the National Association of Clean Water Agencies, NACWA.

Mr. Ciaccia is an accomplished leader and committed environmental steward who has played a prominent role in the water industry, exemplifying what it means to be a public

servant. He is ideally suited to serve as President of one of the Nation's leading proponents of responsible policies that advance clean water. Mr. Ciaccia has served the people of the Cleveland area for decades, and in this new role, will continue to ensure that the Nation's clean water agencies continue to protect public health and improve the environment.

Mr. Ciaccia began his career in public utilities in 1977 when he was appointed as Assistant Director of the Public Utilities Department for the City of Cleveland. In 1979 he joined the leadership of the City's Division of Water where he served as both Deputy Commissioner and Commissioner until 2004.

During his over 30 years with the City of Cleveland's Division of Water, Mr. Ciaccia oversaw the management of over \$1 billion worth of capital improvement projects and maintained the agency's very favorable financial position. He was appointed Director of the City's Department of Public Utilities in 2004 exercising oversight of the water, sewer collection and public power systems, with a focus on developing comprehensive financial plans and supporting revenue enhancement initiatives.

Mr. Ciaccia began his current role at the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORS) in 2007. At the Regional Sewer District in his current role at the District, he oversees all aspects of managing one of the nation's largest wastewater management utilities. Under his leadership, the District has received two awards from the Commission on Economic Inclusion including a 2009 award for Supplier Diversity which highlights the success of his initiative to craft and implement a supplier inclusion program. In 2012 the NEORS was awarded by the Commission for Senior Management Inclusion, recognizing the diversity of senior staff.

As the District's Executive Director, Mr. Ciaccia was responsible for confirming their consent decree for a long-term control plan to significantly reduce overflows from combined sewers, as well as the successful development and implementation of a new Regional Stormwater Management Program. Among Mr. Ciaccia's many accomplishments as Executive Director of NEORS is the transformation of the District's culture to one of transparency and exceptional financial management.

As a member of NACWA's Board of Directors, Mr. Ciaccia has served as the Secretary, Treasurer, and Vice President. Mr. Ciaccia has selflessly shared his time, passion, energy and ideas to carry out the objectives of the Clean Water Act.

It is my sincere pleasure to congratulate Julius Ciaccia on becoming President of NACWA. I am certain his actions will ensure continued water quality progress for the Cleveland area, the State of Ohio and the Nation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CAROLYN MCCARTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 9, 2013

Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably absent during the week of June 17, 2013. If I were present, I would have voted on the following.

Monday, June 17, 2013:

Rollcall No. 245: Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 876, "yea."

Rollcall No. 246: Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 253, "yea."

Rollcall No. 247: Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 862, "yea."

Tuesday, June 18, 2013:

Rollcall No. 248: Motion on Ordering the Previous Question on the Rule for H.R. 1947 and 1797, "nay."

Rollcall No. 249: Motion on Agreeing to the Resolution on the Rule for H.R. 1947 and 1797, "nay."

Rollcall No. 250: Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 1151, "yea."

Rollcall No. 251: Final Passage of H.R. 1797—Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, "nay."

Rollcall No. 252: H.R. 1896—To amend part D of title IV of the Social Security Act to ensure that the United States can comply fully with the obligations of the Hague Convention of 23 November 2007 on the International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance, "nay."

Wednesday June 19, 2013:

Rollcall No. 253: Motion on Ordering the Previous Question on the Rule for H.R. 1947, "nay."

Rollcall No. 254: Motion on Agreeing to the Resolution on the Rule for H.R. 1947, "nay."

Rollcall No. 255: Motion on Approving the Journal, "yea."

Rollcall No. 256: McGovern of Massachusetts Part B Amendment No. 1, "aye."

Rollcall No. 257: Foxx of North Carolina Part B Amendment No. 3, "no."

Rollcall No. 258: Broun of Georgia Part B Amendment No. 5, "no."

Rollcall No. 259: Blumenauer of Oregon Part B Amendment No. 8, "aye."

Rollcall No. 260: Blumenauer of Oregon Part B Amendment No. 9, "aye."

Rollcall No. 261: Kaptur of Ohio Part B Amendment No. 14, "aye."

Rollcall No. 262: Royce of California Part B Amendment No. 15, "no."

Rollcall No. 263: Chabot of Ohio Part B Amendment No. 16, "no."

Thursday June 20, 2013:

Rollcall No. 264: Brooks of Alabama Part B Amendment No. 18, "no."

Rollcall No. 265: Butterfield of North Carolina Part B Amendment No. 25, "aye."

Rollcall No. 266: Marino of Pennsylvania Part B Amendment No. 26, "no."

Rollcall No. 267: Schweikert of Arizona Part B Amendment No. 30, "no."

Rollcall No. 268: Tierney of Massachusetts Part B Amendment No. 32, "aye."

Rollcall No. 269: Polis of Colorado Part B Amendment No. 37, "aye."

Rollcall No. 270: Garamendi of California Part B Amendment No. 38, "aye."

Rollcall No. 271: Marino of Pennsylvania Part B Amendment No. 41, "no."

Rollcall No. 272: McClintock of California Part B Amendment No. 43, "no."

Rollcall No. 273: Gibson of New York Part B Amendment No. 44, "aye."

Rollcall No. 274: Walorski of Indiana Part B Amendment No. 45, "no."

Rollcall No. 275: Courtney of Connecticut Part B Amendment No. 46, "aye."

Rollcall No. 276: Kind of Wisconsin Part B Amendment No. 47, "no."

Rollcall No. 277: Carney of Delaware Part B Amendment No. 48, "aye."