

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF PIERCE MANUFACTURING

HON. REID J. RIBBLE

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2013

Mr. RIBBLE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 100th anniversary of Pierce Manufacturing, located in Appleton, Wisconsin. Pierce Manufacturing is a subsidiary of Oshkosh Corporation, and builds fire and rescue apparatuses. Over the past 100 years, this company has grown from its modest beginnings as Pierce Auto Body Works, Inc. focused on building truck bodies for the Ford Model T to become a world-class manufacturer of quality fire and rescue vehicles.

In the aftermath of 9/11, Pierce Manufacturing donated one of its rescue vehicles to the Fire Department of New York City. According to reports, no ceremony was held to mark the occasion. The workers and leadership at Pierce Manufacturing simply "felt compelled to help." As Congressman, I am incredibly proud of the highly skilled workers in Appleton and Weyauwega that play a vital role in designing, building and maintaining these custom fire and rescue vehicles.

Again, I congratulate Pierce Manufacturing on its 100th anniversary, and encourage all residents in Northeast Wisconsin to celebrate this company's wonderful history on Saturday, July 13th, 2013.

RECOGNIZING THE TACOMA HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE HILLSIDE TERRACE COMMUNITY IN TACOMA'S HILLTOP COMMUNITY

HON. DEREK KILMER

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2013

Mr. KILMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Tacoma Housing Authority for breaking ground on the redevelopment of Hillside Terrace in the Hilltop community. This development will provide comfortable, affordable, and environmentally sound units for families in need.

The Tacoma Housing Authority was formed in 1940 in response to the growing need for safe, affordable housing for low-income families in Tacoma. Since then, Tacoma Housing Authority has grown to become the city's largest landlord. They currently serve thousands of families across Tacoma.

Phase I of the redevelopment project will take place at the 2500 block of Hillside Terrace. This phase will include a mid-rise building with 54 units, five townhouse style buildings with 16 units, and a large community education facility.

Mr. Speaker, The Tacoma Housing Authority has been a national leader in the redevelop-

ment of public housing. In the first part of the twenty-first century, Tacoma Housing Authority gained public attention for the redevelopment of Salishan. Salishan, originally built during World War II, fell into disrepair. Through a multi-phase project, Tacoma Housing Authority rebuilt the entire neighborhood, creating safer, more livable homes for the close, multi-cultural community on the city's east side.

Now, Tacoma Housing Authority is engaging in a similar project with Hillside Terrace. Residents will be able to enjoy a sense of community that comes with new, safe homes and a brand new community center.

As I close, Mr. Speaker, I can say with confidence that Hillside Terrace will add to the rich diversity of the Hilltop neighborhood, and will continue Tacoma Housing Authority's strong tradition of providing high-quality affordable housing in the City of Destiny.

MONTROSE, COLORADO TRIBUTE

HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2013

Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Montrose, Colorado, Montrose has received the 2013 All-American City Award from the National Civic League.

Each year, the National Civic League hosts an expo in Denver where citizens from all over the nation attend to display their community achievements. This year, the conference focused specifically on communities dedicated to providing support for veterans and their families. Ten outstanding proposals are chosen to receive the award, including Montrose.

Montrose is a model of American values, with an outstanding commitment to supporting troops, veterans, and their families, through community efforts including Welcome Home Colorado. In the heart of Colorado, Montrose has a diverse landscape with access to abundant outdoor activities including hiking, skiing, and water sports. The community strives to make these recreational activities available to veterans and returning troops, improving their quality of life.

The spirit of the community in Montrose is an inspiration to other cities across America to support our troops and veterans, and provide returning troops with the opportunity to thrive.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize Montrose, Colorado, for its outstanding achievement as a 2013 All-American City, and recognize its residents for their dedication to their community and to our brave men and women who have served our country.

HONORING DOMINGO "PAPO" RODRIGUEZ

HON. ED PASTOR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2013

Mr. PASTOR of Arizona. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Domingo "Papo" Rodriguez, a resident of Phoenix, Arizona, a constituent and a friend. He has left us too soon, but well after establishing a rich and long legacy that will live on.

Papo devoted over 35 years working with non-profit community based organizations. The last 19 years of his career he served as Vice President of Community Health & Human Services with Chicanos Por La Causa. He managed over 75 different funding contracts and sources that represented over 100 categorical programs and services with 30 facilities serving individuals in 25 cities throughout Arizona. He oversaw programs that impacted the community including the Early Childhood Development program for Migrant & Seasonal and Early Head Start Programs, Community Behavioral Health Services/Managed Care HIV/AIDS, Youth Prevention and Intervention Programs, Pregnant & Parenting Teen Programs, Parenting Arizona, and Rural Social & Immigration Services.

While his career was very demanding, Papo found time to devote himself to other causes and issues in service to his community. Domingo Rodriguez was instrumental in the establishment of a statewide Latino Policy Institute and served as a consultant to federal agencies on many of our communities' pressing issues. Moreover, he was actively recruited to and generously gave of his time to serve on boards and commissions where his input contributed to the creation of many policies and programs, again, to serve the community for which he greatly cared.

Papo's passing is a loss for the State of Arizona. He will be missed by us all, but he will also be long remembered for his generous spirit and his commitment to service.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF PLYMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

HON. ANN M. KUSTER

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2013

Ms. KUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in celebration of the 250th anniversary of a proud community in my district: the Town of Plymouth, New Hampshire. Nestled between the crystal waters of the Lakes Region and the majestic peaks of the White Mountains, Plymouth serves as the gateway to some of the Granite State's greatest natural treasures. The pristine rivers that meet in this distinguished community symbolize the convergence of education, tourism, and industry that have defined Plymouth since its incorporation in 1763.

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People travel from far and wide seeking the town's beautiful mountain vistas, fine hotels and inns, rustic covered bridges, campgrounds, and lakes. Many years ago, snow trains would stop in Plymouth, providing skiers and adventurers headed for the White Mountains with a place to stay at the inns found throughout the town. While enjoying the sights, guests could visit the Draper and Maynard sporting goods store, where Babe Ruth himself would travel to purchase baseball equipment. They could pick up a pair of buck gloves, courtesy of the prestigious glove industry that defined Plymouth's early years. Or, they could visit Plymouth State University to enjoy a collection of letters and works written by a frequent visitor to the White Mountains, Robert Frost.

During the academic year, the population of Plymouth doubles as bustling students fill the historic streets. These students return to experience one of New England's finest universities, where a campus-wide focus on environmental issues and sustainable initiatives has become an integral part of the student experience.

While 250 years have come and gone in Plymouth, the town's focus on education and innovation has set a course of prosperity for countless years to come. On July 20th, the town will officially mark its two and a half centuries with a community-wide celebration. As local citizens enjoy fireworks, dances, concerts, and other festivities to mark this auspicious occasion, I urge all Granite Staters and all Americans to join them in honoring this special town.

IN HONOR OF THE COMMUNITY
BAPTIST CHURCH ON THEIR 50TH
ANNIVERSARY

HON. MICHAEL G. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2013

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Community Baptist Church on their 50th year anniversary. The church was started on March 3, 1963 by Reverend Wilmer Wright when they began holding services in a corner barbershop in Bristol, PA. After twenty-four years of service, Reverend Wilmer Wright retired and his son, Joseph Wright, took over as their Pastor in 1987. The year 2013 marks the church's 50th anniversary, and they celebrated their year of jubilee from March 4, 2012 to March 3, 2013. Since 1963, services have been held in a number of locations where they have provided numerous opportunities for their community. They have Sunday school for all ages, Bible study groups, and various charity events, such as their Fashion Show and Silent Auction. The church is also very good at hosting events that include youth with their movie nights and a pep rally event. Throughout its fifty years, the church has been the heart of the community and has provided endless support for its members and the community as well.

IN HONOR OF DEPUTY CHIEF
CASSIE MCSORLEY

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2013

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, it is with great honor that I rise today to honor the career of Deputy Chief Cassie McSorley, who is retiring after 30 years of service to the citizens of Salinas. Since joining the Salinas Police Department in 1983, Deputy Chief McSorley has worked at all levels of the department, including uniformed patrol, DUI enforcement, field training, Narcotics, and Special Operations.

Deputy Chief McSorley was raised in Salinas and attended North Salinas High School before going on to earn a bachelor's degree in Administration of Justice from San Jose State University. She completed graduate studies at the University of San Francisco in Organizational Development. She joined the Salinas Police Department as a patrol officer and a member of the DUI enforcement team before being promoted to Corporal, where she served as a Field Training Officer and a detective in the Vice/Narcotic Unit. She quickly advanced from Corporal to Sergeant, and then to Lieutenant. In 2003, she became Deputy Police Chief taking on various additional law enforcement responsibilities and ran a successful police department securing the streets of Salinas that are plagued by gangs. On many occasions when required, Deputy Chief McSorley has assumed the position of Acting Salinas Police Chief without hesitation.

Her long history of service to the department has included her role in establishing the first in-house training programs and specialized training teams; her work on Salinas' first hostage negotiation team; and her help in establishing the curriculum for the first Crisis Intervention Team training and policy development for Monterey County enforcement agencies.

Deputy Chief McSorley has always been deeply involved in the Salinas community, from the early community policing initiatives in the 10/20 Block and Acosta Plaza to more recent endeavors. She volunteers for many local causes and has served on a number of non-profit board of directors, including the Salinas Rotary Club, Sun Street Centers, Partners for Peace, Salinas Police Activities League, and others. One of her other noteworthy accomplishments was founding the Salinas Police Department Relay for Life team, serving as team captain in 2001 and 2002.

Mr. Speaker, I know I speak for the whole House and the entire law enforcement community in California as I commend Deputy Chief McSorley for all she has done for this community. I extend my most sincere thanks and warmest wishes for her success and much success and happiness in her retirement.

30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CITY
OF MOORPARK

HON. JULIA BROWNLEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2013

Ms. BROWNLEY of California. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to represent the City of Moor-

park in the United States House of Representatives. Moorpark was recently named by the Kosmont-Rose Institute as one of the top ten most business friendly cities in California, which serves to attract new and innovative companies, creating high paying, high-skilled local jobs, that significantly contribute to Ventura County's diverse and vibrant economy.

From its start as a pastoral community built on hard work and rugged individualism, to a thriving community that celebrates its historical roots, Moorpark is the product of determined citizens coming together to establish a better way of life. The city's unique cultural fusion of arts, agriculture, community, family, education, and outdoor recreation make Moorpark an exceptionally desirable place to live. As the city's representative in Congress, I share Moorpark's commitment to protecting local open spaces and preserving the natural beauty of our region for future generations to cherish and enjoy.

I also share with Moorpark a steadfast dedication to education, and I will continue to work on behalf of the teachers and students of this outstanding school district. I believe that investing in our children's future is vital to perpetuating the growth and development of every community in Ventura County and across the nation. I would also like to commend Moorpark for fostering the success of Moorpark College, as I believe community colleges are critical to equipping the next generation with the skills required to excel.

Additionally, I commend the City of Moorpark for its dedication to assisting and memorializing our veterans, who have given immeasurably to our communities. The two memorials in the city are a testament to the important role that the men and women of our Armed Forces play in ensuring communities like Moorpark can thrive.

Once again, congratulations on Moorpark's 30th Anniversary! This is a fantastic accomplishment, and I could not be more proud and driven to work hard to represent the values of our community in Congress.

A TRIBUTE TO JAMIE BOERSMA

HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2013

Mr. LATHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Girl Scouts of Greater Iowa CEO Jamie Boersma of Clive for being named a 2013 "Characters Unite" award recipient by USA Network.

The Characters Unite program is a national public service initiative that aims to bridge cultural gaps and confront social injustices through the promotion of understanding and acceptance. Each year, this program honors individuals who go above and beyond by contributing "significant efforts to champion civil and human rights in their communities." Awardees are provided a \$5,000 grant for their individual projects and are featured on nationwide public service announcements to raise awareness for their cause and the program as a whole.

As CEO of Girl Scouts of Greater Iowa, Mrs. Boersma changes the lives of more than 15,000 girls and 4,000 adults in 70 counties that mostly comprise central and western