

thousands of hard working and vigilant men and women of the bureau, including the agents, analysts and support staff who serve our country. Under the director's leadership, the men and women of the FBI have effectively prevented many attacks against our country.

Bob Mueller's service to our country began long before he was sworn in as FBI Director. He has had a long career of distinguished service to our country. He served as an officer in the Marine Corps, leading a rifle platoon in Vietnam. He is the recipient of the Bronze Star, two Navy Commendation Medals, the Purple Heart and the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry. He later served in several U.S. Attorneys' offices and in private practice before being appointed as the U.S. Attorney in San Francisco in 1998.

I wish the director and his family all the best in his next endeavors and thank him again for his service and sacrifice. He is a true patriot and a model public servant.

COMMEMORATING THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HOWARD FLATS FARM

HON. TOM REED

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 2, 2013

Mr. REED. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in commemoration of the 200th Anniversary of the Howard Flats Farm in Hornell, New York. As agriculture is a foundational part of our American heritage, I am honored to recognize such a longstanding farm family. Agriculture is an important industry for New York as well as the country as a whole, providing a stable, safe food supply. It is essential to recognize the milestones of those families who have made substantial contributions to the economic vitality of the Empire State.

The diversified farming operation at the Howard Flats Farm, owned by Phil Bennett and his wife Juanita Bennett, includes a log home and nearby camping site that is rented as lodging during hunting season and throughout the year for recreational activities. Mr. Bennett is an active Rotarian and Farm Bureau member. He and his family also volunteer their time to many of Howard's community events and activities.

The farm has been in the Bennett family for five generations and is now managed by Phil and Juanita's son, Jay Bennett. Howard Flats Farm totals around 700 acres and is the home to an average milking-herd of 150 cows. The farm has and continues to change and expand with time and is poised for success for many years to come.

With great pleasure, I acknowledge the success of this exceptional family and its contributions to the local and State economies, fully confident that it will continue to enjoy the success it has experienced thus far.

HONORING DON HADAD

HON. CORY GARDNER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 2, 2013

Mr. GARDNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Don Hadad, superintendent of the St.

Vrain Valley School District in Longmont, Colorado. Don was recently named "National Superintendent of the Year" by the National Association of School Superintendents.

For the last 29 years Don has dedicated his life to improving our children's education. He began his career as a physical education teacher, and has since held the positions of assistant principal, high school principal, executive director of secondary education, assistant superintendent, deputy superintendent, and most recently, superintendent of the St. Vrain Valley School District.

As Superintendent, Don has lead by example. His visionary leadership and ideas have helped significantly develop the public schools in my district by championing educational reforms that included teacher evaluations and expanding public charter schools. He established the "Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics" Academy at Skyline High School and opened the Medical and Science Academy at Longmont High School to help advance students to secondary education.

His reforms are an example of the common sense solutions school districts across the country can implement to better serve their students and families.

Please join me today in congratulating Don Hadad on his award and on his success as superintendent of the St. Vrain Valley School District.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 2, 2013

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 429 I had to step out of the chamber and missed the opportunity to vote on this amendment.

Had I been present, I would have voted "nay."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 2, 2013

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 432 I was unavoidably detained at a personal doctor's appointment.

Had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

REGARDING REPRESENTATIVE MURPHY'S (PA) AMENDMENT NO. 6 TO H.R. 1582 ON INTENDING TO VOTE NAY ON ROLL 430 ON AUGUST 1, 2013

HON. G. K. BUTTERFIELD

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 2, 2013

Mr. BUTTERFIELD. Mr. Speaker, I rise to express that I intended to vote "nay" but was recorded as yea on Roll 430 on August 1, 2013 on Representative MURPHY's (PA) Amendment No. 6 to H.R. 1582.

The Rules of the House of Representatives prevent Members from changing votes after the fact, but I wish to state for the record that I fully intended to vote "nay" on Representative MURPHY's Amendment.

If enacted in law, Representative MURPHY's amendment would prevent the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and other federal agencies from using the social cost of carbon (SCC) to estimate the climate benefits of rulemakings. Contrary to the intentions of the amendment, I fully support the use of the SCC by the EPA and other federal agencies to estimate the climate benefits of rulemakings. The SCC is important to interpret the impact of carbon dioxide emissions on agricultural productivity, human health, increased flood risk, and other factors which are important to my constituents in eastern North Carolina.

RECOGNIZING JESSICA BELMARES-ORTEGA

HON. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 2, 2013

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor, Jessica Belmares-Ortega, an exceptional young New Mexican student. This summer, Jessica, a recent graduate of Albuquerque High School, was awarded a prestigious Ronald McDonald House HACER scholarship to attend the University of New Mexico. One of only four students in the nation to receive this scholarship, she plans to use her \$100,000 award to study medicine so she can give back to her community and help the less fortunate in our state.

A first-generation American who grew up in a Spanish-speaking environment, Jessica plans to use her bilingual skills to improve health care access and delivery in rural communities. As a volunteer at a local hospital, Jessica frequently saw Spanish-speaking families wait hours for a translator to arrive before getting a diagnosis or treatment. She believes that having more bilingual medical professionals will help mitigate this problem and improve the overall health of patients all over New Mexico.

Education has always played an important role in the Belmares-Ortega home. Although Jessica's parents, who are originally from Mexico, did not attend college, they worked hard so that their children would have the opportunity to pursue their dreams. They enrolled Jessica and her two older siblings in United States of America preschool so they would learn English at a young age. They also closely tracked their children's progress to ensure they succeeded in school.

Considering Jessica's academic achievements, strong leadership skills and dedication to her community, I am not surprised that the Ronald McDonald House chose to recognize her success with this scholarship. At Albuquerque High School, Jessica enrolled in the dual-language program, took advantage of numerous Advanced Placement and honors courses and participated in a gifted mentorship program. In college, she plans to maintain her busy schedule by enrolling in a medical laboratory program and working to advance her Spanish fluency skills.

I'm honored to represent Jessica in the United States House of Representatives, and

I wish her success in her college career and in all of her future endeavors.

IN HONOR OF SUSAN FEISTNER

HON. LEE TERRY

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 2, 2013

Mr. TERRY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the accomplishments of Susan Feistner. Susie recently retired from my congressional staff after 13 years of dedicated and excellent service to the constituents of the Second Congressional District of Nebraska. I wish Susie all the happiness in the world she embarks on the next stage of her life.

Susie served as my Senior Constituent Liaison in my Omaha Congressional Office. Susie handles immigration issues, and this was no small task. Over the years, she muddled through mounds of paperwork to find solutions for people and in many cases reunited families, helped with adoptions of foreign-born children and obtained last-minute visas and passports. She also referred people to attorneys for help in becoming legal citizens and helped many constituents navigate through the tangle of U.S. Immigration laws. Her tireless service made a difference in thousands of lives.

Over the years, Susie has also been active in Republican Party politics and has worked for candidates up and down and the ballot. Her involvement in our political process to spread the Republican message of lower taxes and a strong national defense has been greatly appreciated. She has also been a steadying hand in my District Office and the constituents of Nebraska's Second Congressional District have benefitted greatly.

I offer you a heartfelt thank you to Susie for her dedication. I am extremely proud of her contributions over the past 13 years and I am blessed to have had such a professional and hard working individual on my team.

It is a privilege and an honor to have Susie as a part of Team Terry.

IN RECOGNITION OF HELEN
HAUSMAN

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 2, 2013

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Helen Hausman who has dedicated her life to education and served on the San Mateo County Community College District Board of Trustees for 23 years and before that on the Sequoia Union High School Board for 13 years. Helen represents the best that San Mateo County has to offer in education leadership.

Helen is the current board president and was a past president for four terms. During her many years at the community college district, she has always made it her priority to provide students with high-quality classroom instruction and an environment that nurtures learning. Helen was instrumental in getting bond measures passed to update the aging facilities and to create three state-of-the-art campuses. She firmly believes that education

and opportunities should be accessible to everyone.

Helen has also served during some of the most tumultuous times in the history of California's higher educational systems, making difficult choices on funding due to state funding cuts. Helen and her colleagues successfully navigated these challenges, retaining the core purpose of the district to prepare students for four-year colleges and universities. San Mateo County has a stellar community college district because of Helen Hausman's dedication to educational quality and inclusiveness.

Helen, a native of New York, earned her BA in Education from George Washington University where she was the only woman in her class. After graduation, she taught at a grammar school in Maryland.

While in Washington DC in 1945, Helen met Arthur Hausman who was in the Navy and who would soon become her husband. The two of them moved to California in 1960 because Arthur received what he calls "an offer he couldn't refuse."

Helen became heavily involved with PTAs and held several leadership positions. Because of her outstanding reputation she was invited to fill a vacancy on the Sequoia Union High School Board and held that position for 13 years.

She also has served on committees of the Association of Community College Trustees, Community College League of California and the San Mateo County School Boards Association. She is currently a member of American Association of University Women. Helen is listed in Who's Who of American Women, was inducted into the San Mateo County Women's Hall of Fame, and was elected to Pi Lambda Theta, a national honor society for educators.

Helen is a longtime member of the San Mateo County American Red Cross Council and serves as chair on the Bay Area Red Cross International Committee to help trace and reunite families separated as a result of armed conflict or disasters. Her passion for this work started with the tracing project which reunited family members of Holocaust survivors.

In her retirement, Helen is looking forward to spending more time with her husband Arthur, son and daughter-in-law Ken and Hilary, daughter Catherine and grandchildren Sam and Sarah.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to rise with me to honor Helen Hausman, a woman I have known and admired for decades, for her common sense and no nonsense leadership. She has shaped education in the Bay Area for a generation and helped thousands of students build a foundation for successful careers. Her retirement is well deserved, and her impact upon our lives will be enduring.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOHN LEWIS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 2, 2013

Mr. LEWIS. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to cast rollcall votes on July 17th. Had I been present, I would have cast the following votes:

On rollcall 357, I would have voted "no"; on rollcall 358, I would have voted "no"; on roll-

call 359, I would have voted "no"; on rollcall 360, I would have voted "yes"; on rollcall 361, I would have voted "no"; on rollcall 362, I would have voted "yes"; and on rollcall 363, I would have voted "no".

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. C.A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 2, 2013

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 430, I was unavoidably detained in a meeting off the Hill at the White House with the President.

Had I been present, I would have voted "no".

50TH ANNIVERSARY FOR THE
MARCH ON WASHINGTON FOR
JOBS AND FREEDOM

HON. CORRINE BROWN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 2, 2013

Ms. BROWN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, as we commemorate and celebrate the 50th anniversary for the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom (August 28, 1963), we do so with deep appreciation and profound gratitude to those who sacrificed and made true their promise of working to make America a better place for everyone.

With the march taking place during the 100th year anniversary of the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" speech on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial to over 250,000 people. As a result, the March on Washington remains one of the largest demonstrations for civil rights and economic rights in American history. Not only was the crowd large on that day, but the enormous impact it had on the struggle for equality and social justice is immeasurable.

As the concept for a march of its magnitude began to unfold, American civil rights leaders as James Farmer, John Lewis, Martin Luther King, Jr., Roy Wilkins, Whitney Young, and Bayard Rustin all joined a broader coalition responsible for organizing the march under the leadership of its chairman, A. Phillip Randolph.

Randolph, a onetime resident of Jacksonville, FL, had been selected to lead this effort as he was one of the most widely known spokespersons for black working class interests in the country. Just over twenty years prior he planned to use the support of nearly 100,000 loyal Black citizens to march on Washington, D.C., to protest President Franklin D. Roosevelt's refusal to issue an Executive Order to ban discrimination against black workers in the defense industry. However, just six days before the march was scheduled, Roosevelt issued Executive Order No. 8802 declaring "there shall be no discrimination in the employment of workers in defense industries or government because of race, creed, color, or national origin".

During the march on Washington in 1968, the coalition presented a list of comprehensive goals which included, a push to get passage