

Mr. Rascoe began his career in public service as a social worker within the Bertie County Department of Social Services. While there, he worked to improve the quality of life for families in his eastern North Carolina community. Mr. Rascoe's exemplary 10-year service helped promote him to the position of Director of the Department of Social Services. Remarkably, during his tenure at the helm Mr. Rascoe was also appointed as Assistant County Manager of Bertie County, a position which he held simultaneously while he led the Department of Social Services.

After nine years, Mr. Rascoe was promoted to interim County Manager. In this role, Mr. Rascoe continued to display exceptional character and due diligence. In 2012, the Bertie Board of Commissioners confirmed Mr. Rascoe as the County Manager.

As Secretary of the Choanoke Area Development Association Board, past Chair of the Choanoke Public Transportation Authority Board, Commissioner of the State Personnel Commission Board, and Parliamentarian of the Workforce Development Board, Mr. Rascoe continues his commitment to the community. Mr. Rascoe was inducted into the North Carolina Community Actions Hall of Fame and was also named a NAACP Outstanding Citizen by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

Mr. Speaker, next month Mr. Rascoe will retire from public service. For 36 years, the people of North Carolina have been fortunate to call him a friend and ally. I am honored to congratulate Mr. Rascoe on his retirement, and ask my colleagues to join me in thanking him for his service to the people of North Carolina.

IN HONOR OF INDIANA GOVERNOR
OTIS "DOC" BOWEN

HON. TODD ROKITA

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

Mr. ROKITA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of former Indiana Governor Otis "Doc" Bowen, who passed away on the evening of Saturday, May 4, 2013.

I remember Doc Bowen as one of the first "former" public figures I met on the campaign trail, running for the third highest office in the Hoosier state, Indiana's Secretary of State, as a 30-year-old. In my mind, he always embraced my words when he was in the audience, although now I am sure that was just Doc trying to encourage one of the young guys in the party. He knew the struggles, not just of Indiana, but of Indiana Republicans, in particular.

While I was Secretary of State, he regularly dropped by my office when visiting the Statehouse, "to check on the young guy." I so greatly appreciated learning from him.

One of hardest conversations I have ever had in politics was with Governor Bowen. He was pitching a candidate for Governor and I had earlier decided to support a different man. Doc Bowen made it very difficult for me that day. He did it, not with threats and guilt trips that are all-too-often the norm in politics, but with honesty and class. It would be a high achievement in our politics today if those in the statehouse and Washington even pre-

tended to emulate the ways of Doc Bowen. All in public life would do well to follow his example.

Doc Bowen was a model public servant who dedicated his life to serving Hoosiers, and our State is stronger because of it. I join Hoosiers from across the State in giving thanks for his life and his service.

TRIBUTE TO CINDY ROTH

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to an individual whose dedication and contributions to the community of Riverside, California are exceptional. Riverside has been fortunate to have dynamic and dedicated community leaders who willingly and unselfishly give their time and talent and make their communities a better place to live and work. Cindy Roth is one of these individuals. On May 9, 2013, Cindy will be honored with the Frank Miller Civic Achievement Award for her service as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Greater Riverside Chamber of Commerce.

Cindy's relationship with the Chamber began through a work experience program after working under then-Senator Bob Presley out of high school. She later worked for the Chamber as a receptionist while attending Riverside Community College. Soon, she was taken under the wing of the Chamber's former President and Riverside City Councilman, Art Pick. When Pick died in 1999, the selection committee selected Cindy as President.

Under Cindy's leadership, the Chamber has actively promoted and supported the community, fostered growth among its members and engaged federal, state and local representatives to become the third largest Chamber in southern California and the eighth largest in the state. It is currently composed of over 1,300 business enterprises, civic organizations, educational institutions and individuals. Following in the footsteps of her predecessor, she has also reached out to women business owners and encouraged them to get involved in the local economy.

Cindy's dedication is not only to local business, but also to the wider community. She serves with numerous organizations, including the Monday Morning Group of Western Riverside County, the Science and Technology Education Partnership, the Raincross Exchange Club, the Foundation Board of Trustees for La Sierra University, and the Honorary Commanders of March Field. She has received the 1996 Community Service Award from the Rotary Club of Arlington, the 2000 Athena of the Inland Valleys Award, and was previously honored as the 2003 Woman of the Year by Assemblyman John Benoit.

I have come to know Cindy well through many years working together on a variety of projects in Riverside, and it has been an honor to work with her on behalf of the community. I can personally attest to Cindy's incredible work-ethic, professionalism and positive attitude. Throughout her career, Cindy has been supported by her husband, California State Senator Gen. Richard Roth, USAF and her daughter, an alumnus of the University of California, Riverside.

In light of all Cindy has done for Riverside, the Mission Inn Foundation will honor her with the Frank Miller Civic Achievement Award at the historic Mission Inn in Riverside. Cindy's tireless passion for community service has contributed immensely to the betterment of Riverside County. She has been the heart and soul of many community organizations and events and I am proud to call her a fellow community member, American and friend. I know that many are grateful for her service and salute her as she receives this prestigious award.

HONORING CHANCELLOR ROBERT
J. BIRGENEAU

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

Ms. LEE of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary career of Dr. Robert J. Birgeneau as he steps down from nearly a decade of service to the University of California, Berkeley as chancellor. Chancellor Birgeneau's transformative leadership at UC Berkeley has added tremendously to its role as the world's premier public research and teaching university. Therefore, I join our community in celebrating the many ways in which his tenure has contributed to the success, insight, and well-being of countless people throughout the Bay Area and beyond.

Tasked with the challenge of guiding UC Berkeley through one of the most challenging financial periods in its 145-year history, Chancellor Birgeneau worked to ensure that the school's hallmark qualities of inclusion and excellence continued to thrive. His tenure oversaw a breadth of achievement, including three Nobel Prizes and the dream of financial aid for undocumented California students.

An internationally distinguished physicist who was the first in his family to graduate from high school, Chancellor Birgeneau was appointed as UC Berkeley's ninth chancellor in 2004. Since then, he has launched the largest fundraising campaign in UC Berkeley's history—raising more than \$2.4 billion to date. He helped create one of academia's first 10-year strategic plans for a Division of Equity & Inclusion and fostered multidisciplinary campus connections to work on pressing social issues, resulting in the Berkeley Energy and Climate Institute; the Energy Biosciences Institute; the Li Ka Shing Center for Biomedical and Health Sciences; and the Richard C. Blum Center for Developing Economies.

Additionally, Chancellor Birgeneau's tireless advocacy played a leadership role in the successful passage of the California DREAM Act. A vocal proponent for fair access to public higher education amidst difficult state funding cuts and rising tuition, Chancellor Birgeneau championed Pell Grants and put in place a groundbreaking financial aid plan for middle-income families. He also took up the cause of students who are former foster children, and upon winning the 2008 Academic Leadership Award from the Carnegie Corporation, gave \$50,000 of his prize to seed an endowment fund for UC Berkeley students from the foster care system.

Chancellor Birgeneau's numerous accolades and associations include the 2009 Pathfinders

to Peace Prize from the Shinnyo-en Foundation, White House recognition, and being one of six academic leaders tapped by President Obama to create the national Advanced Manufacturing Partnership. His plan to remain at UC Berkeley to teach and conduct research is certainly welcome news. Chancellor Birgeneau's wise guidance, influence, and example has set the course for UC Berkeley's continued status as one of the world's most celebrated public institutions.

On behalf of the residents of California's 13th Congressional District, Dr. Robert J. Birgeneau, I salute you for your outstanding service to higher education. I congratulate and thank you for your unparalleled legacy as a passionate and effective steward of the University of California, Berkeley. You have touched many lives in profound ways throughout your career, and we wish you and your loved ones continued success and happiness in this new chapter.

PEGGY HALDERMAN

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and applaud Peggy Halderman for receiving national recognition for her efforts to feed the hungry in Golden, Colorado.

April 5, 2013 the White House honored twelve Rotary International members from around the country as "Champions of Change." I am proud to say Peggy Halderman is one of the Rotarians to receive this honor.

When Peggy learned over more than nine hundred children participated in the Free/Reduced Lunch program in Golden area schools and did not have adequate food on weekends, she decided to do something. Collaborating with her Rotary club, the mayor and city council the Backpack program was born. In its fifth year it has grown to feed over five hundred and twenty children every weekend of the school year. Peggy is currently expanding the program to provide food year round.

Peggy Halderman truly exemplifies the Rotary Club Motto of "Service above Self." Her outstanding dedication to our community's children will pay benefits to our citizens for years to come.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Peggy Halderman for this well deserved recognition from the White House. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all her future accomplishments.

A TRIBUTE TO LINDSEY GIBBS—
TEAMSTERS LOCAL 830 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENT

HON. ROBERT A. BRADY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise in tribute today for Lindsey Gibbs, a 2013 award recipient of the Teamsters Local 830 Scholarship Fund. Over the past 37 years, this important fund has awarded scholarships totaling over \$2.7 million to talented young adults

throughout our community. Because of the hard work of the members of Teamsters Local 830 and the employers of these members, students like Lindsey are able to make higher education possible.

Lindsey's father, Christopher Gibbs, works in the Operations Department of PBC in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. I greatly admire Lindsey's hard work at Little Flower High School and her aspirations to study health administration and pre-law. With her work ethic, I am sure Lindsey will achieve her dream of one day becoming a lawyer.

I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues help me in honoring Lindsey Gibbs for her commitment to her community and studies that enabled her to become a 2013 award recipient of the Teamsters Local 830 Scholarship Fund.

ARMENIAN GENOCIDE

HON. LINDA T. SANCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, 98 years ago, the world suffered its first deliberate act of systematic mass murder of people of one culture by another. With this, the unspeakable horror of genocide was born.

The massacre and mistreatment of one and-a-half million Armenians in the final years of the Ottoman Empire shows the incredible depths of inhumanity that the human race can sink.

Out of this wretched episode of history, we, as human beings, have made a determined effort to move beyond hatred and to prevent similar tragedies from happening in the future.

We are morally obligated to learn from the lapses of the human soul that caused the Armenian Genocide. We are morally obligated to make sure that we do all that we can to protect all oppressed, vulnerable, and subjugated peoples.

I want to express my sympathy to the survivors and descendants of the Armenian Genocide. I hope we can all take time to reflect on this solemn day of remembrance.

As we commemorate this somber anniversary, it's also important that we recognize the resiliency of the Armenian people. Armenia has been a great champion of freedom and democracy. I expect our two nations will continue to build strong commercial ties and support peace and stability in the region.

I am proud to consistently co-sponsor resolutions affirming the U.S. record on the Armenian Genocide. Our policy should appropriately reflect understanding and sensitivity concerning issues related to the Armenian Genocide. This should be documented in the United States record.

RECOGNIZING BROTHER RONALD
GALLAGHER

HON. GEORGE MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise

today to recognize Brother Ronald Gallagher, *Fratres Scholarum Christianarum* (F.S.C.), Ph.D., as he prepares to retire as President of St. Mary's College of California in Moraga and to commend him for his outstanding service to the St. Mary's students, faculty and to our community as a whole.

A Native Californian, Brother Ronald Gallagher spent his formative years in Santa Cruz and Bakersfield, and then joined the Christian Brothers after graduating from Mont La Salle High School in Napa. After graduating from Saint Mary's College in 1969 with a Bachelor of Arts in English, Brother Ronald received an Master of Arts in comparative literature from San Francisco State University and earned his doctorate in comparative literature from the University of Washington.

Prior to assuming the college presidency, Brother Ronald was a member of the English Department. His teaching specialties include 19th and 20th Century Anglo-Irish Literature, the modern novel, and the history and culture of Ireland. His passion for Irish literature began when he read James Joyce's "Ulysses" during his senior year at Saint Mary's. In recent years, he has led several groups of students on tours of the historical and cultural sites of Ireland.

From 1993 to 1997, Brother Ronald was Vice Chancellor of Bethlehem University, where he oversaw administration, development, finance and academics. As the leader of a Catholic university in the deeply divided Middle East, he responded to formidable challenges by forging strong regional and global support for the school. Enlisting the help of many countries, individuals, groups, international aid agencies and the Vatican, Brother Ronald was able to raise the funds necessary for Bethlehem University to fulfill its educational mission among the economically disadvantaged Palestinian community.

In his role as Secretary General of the Brothers of the Christian Schools in Rome from 1997 to 2001, Brother Ronald organized the 43rd General Chapter, an international assembly that produced a seven-year global strategic plan for Lasallian educators.

Brother Ronald Gallagher, F.S.C., Ph.D., became the 28th President of Saint Mary's College of California on Jan. 2, 2005. A seasoned educator, he is deeply devoted to the College's Catholic, Lasallian and liberal arts traditions and is committed to promoting the values of those traditions among students, faculty, staff and friends of Saint Mary's.

In addition to leading St. Mary's College, Brother Ronald has served as President of the International Association of Lasallian Universities, as a member of the Executive Committee of the Association of Independent Catholic Colleges and Universities (AICCU), a member of the Board of Directors for the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities (ACCU), on the Executive Board of Directors of the International Federation of Catholic Universities (IFCU), and he is the Chair of the West Coast Conference (WCC) President's Council. Throughout his career, Brother Ronald has also been a strong supporter of intercollegiate and recreational athletics at Saint Mary's College.

Mr. Speaker, I invite this chamber to join me in recognizing Brother Ronald for his devoted service to Saint Mary's College of California and thank him for his unparalleled contribution to higher education. I am pleased to join