

spent several years as a Special Assistant to Pennsylvania Governor Ed Rendell. Eventually he formed his own political consulting firm leading successful campaigns across the country. Mr. Fleet also served as a Senior Advisor to City of Philadelphia Controller Jonathan Sidel.

His unique mix of local, state, national political experience gives him exceptional insight into the U.S. electoral system.

Please join me in commending the outstanding service of Mr. Jamie P.D. Fleet, II, to the Congress of the United States and congratulating him on his new position as Chief of Staff to Senator CANTWELL of Washington. We wish you well in all your future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING THE VOLUNTEERS
FOR PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY
NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 2013

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the volunteers for Prince William County Neighborhood Services.

The dedicated volunteers for Prince William County Neighborhood Services are an essential part of the Neighborhood Services Division. They support a tireless effort to preserve and enhance our neighborhoods by facilitating resident input and involvement. This strategic partnership promotes civic responsibility, neighborhood collaboration and government responsiveness.

It is my honor to enter into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD the names of the volunteers for Prince William County Neighborhood Services: Jason Byrd; Stephanie Donahue; Jim Hollis; Nikki Hunt; Carl Hunt; Karen Lyle; Amy McGowan; Eileen Settlemeyer.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in commending the volunteers for Prince William County Neighborhood Services for their service and in thanking them for their dedication to neighborhood beautification in our community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 2013

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, on Thursday June 20, 2013, during a rapid succession of two-minute votes, I mistakenly voted 'aye' for rollcall No. 281.

This amendment seeks to dismantle the U.S. sugar program, which has operated successfully for decades at no cost to taxpayers, and provides a stable supply of sugar for Americans at affordable prices. Doing away with the U.S. sugar program would cost thousands of jobs, destabilize the U.S. sugar supply, and would not result in a discernible change in the price of sugar for Americans. The price of sugar continues to drop, and is currently at its lowest level in a decades. Passage of this amendment does nothing to decrease the price of sugar, and will only assist companies to offshore jobs, cut labor and

health care costs, and leave American farmers penniless.

Supporters of this amendment complain about high prices for sugar. Yet restaurants give sugar away and that one can buy a five-pound bag of sugar for almost nothing. This amendment will do nothing to create a free market for sugar and will only subject the U.S. to distorted world sugar markets that will cost farmers their livelihoods and American jobs.

IN HONOR OF ROYAL SPRING
MIDDLE SCHOOL

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 2013

Mr. BARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Royal Spring Middle School in Georgetown, Kentucky, and to congratulate them on being named one of the top performing middle grades schools in the country. Royal Springs Middle School will be recognized with 119 other high-performing schools from across the nation as a School to Watch by the National Forum to Accelerate Middle-Grades Reform at their annual conference June 27–30, 2013 in Arlington, Virginia.

Through the Schools to Watch initiative, the National Forum identifies schools across the United States that are well on their way to meeting the Forum's criteria for high performance—schools that challenge all students academically, are sensitive to the unique developmental challenges of early adolescence, and provide every student with high-quality teachers, resources, and support.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in commending the Royal Spring Middle School for its commitment to its students and in congratulating the school on this well-deserved recognition. I would like to extend my personal appreciation to the Royal Spring Middle School for not only improving the lives of its students, but also bettering our Commonwealth.

RECOGNITION OF THE HONORABLE
PAOLO COSTA

HON. LORETTA SANCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 2013

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Honorable Paolo Costa, the Special Government Commissioner for the enlargement of the United States military installation at Del Din in Vicenza, Italy. Honorable Costa was appointed by the President of Italy as a Special Commissioner and was responsible for overseeing the Del Din project. The Del Din project resulted from a major U.S. Army restructuring plan that called for the relocation of two additional battalions from Germany to Italy by 2013. This expansion would increase troop levels from 2,400 to 4,200 soldiers in Italy. Unfortunately, this expansion was met with strong resistance from local leaders as well as the Italian population.

Without the hard work and persistence of the Honorable Paola Costa, the Del Din

project would not have succeeded, impacting the mission and also the service members of the United States military. For the last five years, Mr. Costa was able to work with various groups, protestors, students and local government officials ensuring the successful construction of the expansion ultimately providing housing for the Sky Soldiers of the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team. Mr. Costa understood the importance of this expansion to the U.S.-Italian long-term strategy. Despite the significant challenges, Mr. Costa stood firm in his vision and unwavering in his commitment to the U.S.-Italy alliance by bringing the Del Din project to reality.

The Honorable Paola Costa's contributions are indispensable to the success of our Infantry, our Army and our Nation. I am extremely honored to recognize the Honorable Paola Costa and his tremendous accomplishments and commitment to the U.S.-Italy alliance.

HONORING LILLIAN EDWARDS

HON. BILL FLORES

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 2013

Mr. FLORES. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to honor Lillian Edwards, one of our nation's selfless veterans, who will be turning 100 on July 18th. In addition to serving our country during World War II, she spent a lifetime as an educator and serving her community.

Lillian is a native of Marion, Louisiana, and at the age of 15 completed high school. She then went on to work on numerous advanced degrees. She graduated from Louisiana Tech University in 1933 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Science and a teaching certificate. In 1940, she received her Master of Science in Physical Education from Louisiana State University, and in 1950 she achieved a Master of Public Health from the University of North Carolina.

As a teacher, Lillian taught at Farmerville High School and Mansfield High School in Louisiana.

In 1942, Lillian entered the Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service (WAVES) in the U.S. Navy. She then served our nation for two and a half years as a Naval communications officer. For her service she earned a World War II Victory Ribbon and American Theater Ribbon Work Experience.

A year after returning from service, Lillian joined the Louisiana Public Health Department and was the first woman in the U.S. to receive her job training before she received her Master in Public Health. In 1956, she moved to Monroe and became the regional health educator, serving 28 North Louisiana parishes.

Lillian has served on a number of committees and boards, including the Louisiana Public Health Association, the American Public Health Association, the Louisiana Conference of Social Workers, the Louisiana Mental Health Association, and the Ouachita Council for the Aging.

In anticipation for her 100th birthday, I pay tribute to Lillian Edwards for her service to her

community and to our nation during World War II. She is truly one of America's Greatest Generation.

RECOGNIZING THE VOLUNTEERS
FOR THE PRINCE WILLIAM
COUNTY JUVENILE DETENTION
CENTER

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 2013

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the volunteers for the Prince William County Juvenile Detention Center.

The Juvenile Detention Center (JDC) volunteers assist with the efficient operation of the Juvenile Detention Centers After-school program. They treat the youth with respect, dignity and worth, becoming role models for youth who wish to change their lives. The volunteers promote healthy social, educational, emotional, and physical development.

It is my honor to enter into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD the names of the volunteers for the Prince William County Juvenile Detention Center:

Jean Andreas, Cherry Andrews, Antonio Ante, Mileydi Ante, Alex Arevalo, Edith Ayala, Tina Barnett, Luffon Bery, Viola Berry, Pat Black, Shannon Boozer, Barbara Borthwick, Patrick Bowens, Tricia Bowling-Bryant, Carol Browser, Isabella Buckley, Daniel Card, Anthony Cardwell, Louis Chevalier, Triane Choir Ministry, Iris Clowers, Randy Cooper, Frank Corish, Avonne Critch, David Curry, Joel Danelli, Cheryl Devallon, Faith Dickerson, Arthur Dietrich, Josephine Diggs, Moises Duncanape, Danell Escalera, Karen Evans, Pete Ferman, Ellen Field, Cindy Fleming, Doug Freeman, Phillip Freeman, Wilber Gieb, Keith Gil-Ortega, Vickey Givens, CeCe Graham, Tabitha Greco, Linda Guion, Shontay Hammon, Rodney Harlee, Ruth Harris, Sherri Hellwig, Christine Hines, Corey Hobbs, Pat Holleman, Greg Holiday, Cinclear Holt, Stephanie Howard, Merle Howard, Jackie Jackson, Josefa James-Bond, Breanna Jarquin, Frank Jones, Minka Lanier, Kimberly Larson, Sandy Lawrie, William Lewis, Dudley Ligon, Tracey Lindsay, Vickey Logan, Ardine Marie, Elizabeth McCoy, John McKie, Robert Melvin, Dan MenMuir, Greg Morris, Daniel Natal, Sheila Paracio, Sammy Perez, Betty Poling, Keith Pollard, Carlos Recono, Stephanie Robbins, Cindy Rodriguez, Kathy Ruehle, Joy Russom, Brandis Sanchez, Cathy Sanders, Cathy Schaffer, Angel Serrano, Natasha Severe, Rick Sibbett, George Simpson, Lori Sims, Victoria Soberanis, Martin Steinberg, Sherry Stone, James Strickland, Brenda Todd, Doyoberto Trejo-Guzman, Paul Villavicencio, Diane Walden, Sandra Watjen, Jan Weng, Tracey Wilkins-Clark, Carol Wilson, Michael Wilson, Bobbi Wright, Rennie Wright.

Additionally, I would like to enter into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD the names of the following groups and organizations that have collaborated with the Prince William County Juvenile Detention Center Volunteers:

Ebenezer's Men's Choir,
St. Mark's Quilters,
Virginia Challenge Program,
Quail Springs Student Choir,

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in commending the Prince William County

Juvenile Detention Center volunteers for their service and in thanking them for their dedication to this valuable mentorship program.

IN RECOGNITION OF ST. JOSEPH'S
CENTER OF SCRANTON, PA FOR
125 YEARS OF OUTSTANDING
SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 2013

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor one of Scranton's oldest, most respected community service institutions: St. Joseph's Center. On July 1, St. Joseph's will celebrate its 125th anniversary. Since 1888, St. Joseph's Center has provided much-needed services in northeastern Pennsylvania.

From the very beginning, the women of St. Joseph's organized to help the most vulnerable Pennsylvanians—abandoned orphans with nowhere else to turn. There was such a demand for their assistance that St. Joseph's outgrew three buildings before 1900. From sheltering homeless infants, St. Joseph's quickly expanded to assist unwed mothers and provide child placement services.

After World War II, St. Joseph's refocused on another area of pressing, unmet need in the community. The center was quickly transformed from an orphanage into a center for children diagnosed with intellectual disabilities. Today, the center runs thirteen community homes where individuals with even the most serious disabilities can live well, treated with dignity and respect.

St. Joseph's also worked actively to support families caring for children with intellectual disabilities at home. They provide community-based assistance to hundreds of families every year. In 2003, the opening of the Blakely Street Campus for Adult Day Services allowed St. Joseph's to offer year-round services for young people with intellectual disabilities who are not in one of the Center's residential programs.

Today, St. Joseph's still provides shelter and support for pregnant women. They offer not just counseling and adoption services but life-skills training, a mother/infant residence and, most importantly, a steadfast commitment to the values that have guided them since their founding 125 years ago. The Center's service to the community has truly been outstanding, and we look forward to the next 125 years.

RECOGNIZING THE VOLUNTEERS
FOR KEEP PRINCE WILLIAM
BEAUTIFUL

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 26, 2013

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the volunteers for Keep Prince William Beautiful (KPWB).

KPWB's objective is to protect the environment. Through the implementation of six programs, the organization focuses on three areas of environmental stewardship: litter re-

moval, recycling education, and water quality initiatives. The six programs include: Volunteer Storm Drain Initiative, Adopt-A-Spot Program, Volunteer Speakers Bureau, Fall and Spring Cleanup, Litter Survey, and Community Cleanup.

It is my honor to enter into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD the names of the volunteers for Keep Prince William Beautiful:

Kelly Adam, Tim Adam, Matt Anderson, Arnold Appanah, Allyson Avery, Nyjah Bell, Jasmin Blocker, Ebony Blount, Tamea Boone, Gwen Bourke, Taylor Branch, Jeanine Britt, Susan Brooks, David Brown, Gillette Brown, Deborah Campbell, David Carr, Ralph Cataneo, Liviu Catuneanu Cica, David Centeno, Chrissy Christiansen, Mark Clark, Barbara Conrad, Austin Cooper, Ed Cronin, Raiven Crosby, Sharon Delap, Francis Diaz, Kevin Dupree, Kelly Easterly, Morgan Easterly, Tyler Easterly, Scott Ebol, Marc Engelking, Marge Fatula, Steve Glasser, Linda Gosnell, Jorm Hansen, Ron Haynes, Jeannie Hefin, Michael Hicks, Sara Hodja, Jeanne Howard, Ed Howell, Patsy Humphrey, Pauline Hunter, Pierre Jackson, Aliyah Jameer, Jay Leach, Tonie Jones, Peter Lineberry, Becky Logan Fay, Nina Lomax, Damaris Lopez, Kyle Love, Joanne Luce, Zara Mahmood, Allen Matthys, Helen Matwiejuk, Mitchell Arnold, Alexis Morgan, Seth Morgan, Steve Morgan, Bill Moser, Connie Moser, Delain Moyers, John Nagel, Barbara Nuckols, Victoria Okocha, Amanda Pataluna, Yariel Perez, Joseph Pettiford, Jeffrey Poisson, Rebecca Purdy, Gerri Ratchye, Sofia Riaz, Cindy Rinkle, Hilary Rokwa, Imani Sandres, Josue Santoya, Kim Sawicki, Albert Sedeno, Same Shanker, Tom Smith, William Smith, Dana Taylor, Rachel Teufert, Steffen Thomas, Kenvin Thorne, Connor Trexel, Dan Trexel, Jasmine Turner, Alexandra Wakely, Colin Walthall, Pat White, Bennett Whitlock, Larry Wilbanks, Sharon Witt, Kimberly Wood, Eric VanNortwick, Marie Vayer, Megan Vidas, Zoe Vitter.

Additionally, it is my honor to enter into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD the names of the following organizations and civic associations that have collaborated with Keep Prince William Beautiful:

KPWB Adopt-a-Spot, KPWB Volunteer Groups, Affordable Lawn Care, ASK DR. RUTH CONSULTANTS, Belmont Bay Community, Bethel United Methodist Church, Blooms Mill HOA, Cardinal Glen HOA, Christ Chapel Academy, Cokesbury United Methodist Church, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Crossroads Presbyterian Church, Cub Scout Pack 1196, Cub Scout Pack 1355, Cub Scout Pack 1364, Cub Scout Pack 1369, Cub Scout Pack 1831, Cub Scout Pack 30—Tyler Elementary School, Dale City Civic Association, Dale City—PWC Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc. & Top Teens of America, First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City, Didlake, Inc., Dunbar Neighborhood Watch, Ghana Wesley Church, Glendale Community Group, Jackson's Ridge Community, Gods Ladies of Significant Service (G.L.O.S.S.), Good Shepard United Methodist Church, Huffman Family, Jack & Jill Foundation, Jackson's Ridge Community, Jr. Girl Scout Troop 4980, Lakewood Manor HOA, Lindendale Community Group, Little Baptist Church, Marine Recruiter Substation Woodbridge, New Balance Potomac Mills Mall, Nottingdale Neighbors, PNC Bank