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Mr. Speaker and my distinguished colleagues in the House, please join me in honoring Mueller & Co., LLP for their legacy of achievement. Mueller & Co., LLP is a company that truly cares not only for their clients, but also for their employees.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE CITY OF CORCORAN, CALIFORNIA

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 10, 2014

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the City of Corcoran, California as they celebrate their 100th Anniversary this summer.

Corcoran was incorporated in 1914 and has grown tremendously over the last 100 years. The city is located in the middle of California's fertile Central Valley and has played an important role in supporting this region's vibrant agricultural economy.

At the turn of the 20th century, the area where Corcoran now stands was a major component of the state's economy as it served as a junction for the San Francisco and San Joaquin Valley Railroad. The city began when H.J. Whitley, a land developer from Southern California, purchased 32,000 acres and moved his colleague, J.W. Guiberson to the area. Guiberson and his family were responsible for building the city's first home and business and establishing the first church in the community. Agriculture was, and still is, the highlight of this area. At its infancy, the most successful crops in Corcoran were alfalfa, grains, and sugar beets.

Despite its size, the city is home to a thriving community. For example, the J.G. Boswell Company, founded in 1925, has ties in both agriculture and real estate and is one of the largest irrigated farming operations in the world. The area also offers many educational opportunities for its youth including West Hills College and College of the Sequoias. In 2009, the Technology Learning Center opened at Corcoran High School to serve students in the community. There are also many organizations that work hard to cultivate an interest in and further understanding of agriculture in our children, such as the Future Farmers of America program and the Corcoran 4-H Club. This wonderful city is rich in history and certainly has a bright future ahead.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I recognize the City of Corcoran, California in celebrating a successful and prosperous 100 years.

IN HONOR OF KEVIN L. COTTER OF
QUINCY, MA

HON. STEPHEN F. LYNCH

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 10, 2014

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Kevin L. Cotter in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the United States' labor movement and to his hometown of Quincy, Massachusetts.

The son of Edward and June Cotter, Kevin was born on October 15, 1948, in Somerville, Massachusetts. Kevin attended St. Catherine's Grammar School in Somerville, and then went on to Sacred Heart High School in East Cambridge until it closed in 1965. Kevin then completed his schooling at Somerville High School, graduating in 1966.

Upon his graduation, Kevin applied to Plumbers' Union Local 12, where he was sworn in on October 24, 1966. He served a five-year apprenticeship and became an active Journeyman member of Local 12 in 1971. Since then, Kevin has held several appointed and elected positions throughout his career: 1973, elected to Local 12's Examining board, 1976, elected as a trustee to the Pension Annuity, Health, and Welfare Funds, 1982, served as President of the Labor Guild of the Archdiocese of Boston, 1985, elected Business Manager of Local 12. He was re-elected as Business Manager of Local 12 in 1997.

Further, Kevin held positions in addition to his responsibilities at Local 12 including: President of the Labor Guild of the Archdiocese of Boston in 1983, appointment to the Board of Directors of Massachusetts Industrial Finance Agency by Governor Michael Dukakis in 1986, Marketing Officer for Custody Services to Union, Taft-Hartley Benefit Funds at State Street Bank, appointment to Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority by Boston Mayor Thomas Menino in 2002, and Commissioner of the Quincy Housing Authority in 2002. Kevin was also elected as a delegate to the United Association National Convention in 1976, 1981, 1986, 2001, 2006, and 2011, in addition to serving on dozens of national and local labor related boards, committees, and councils.

Recognizing his good work, several organizations have honored Kevin throughout the years. In 1991, he was the recipient of the Daniel J. Tobin award from the New England Chapter of the Irish American Coalition. In 2000, he received the Jewish National Fund "Tree of Life" Award. In 2004, he was the labor recipient of the "Cushing Gavin Award" from the Labor Guild of the Archdiocese of Boston for excellence in Labor Relations. Additionally, in 2007 he was selected for the "Gompers, Murray, Meaney Award" by the MA AFL-CIO.

Mr. Speaker, Kevin is known for his integrity, loyalty, and his quick sense of humor. He has had the good fortune of being married to Betty for forty-two years; they are the proud parents to three children: Lisa, Colleen, and Kevin, and grandparents to four grandchildren: Isabelle, Gianna, Gabrielle, and Cecilia. I thank Kevin for his leadership and his service.

HONORING THE 90TH ANNIVERSARY OF
CARY MEDICAL CENTER

HON. MICHAEL H. MICHAUD

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 10, 2014

Mr. MICHAUD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 90th Anniversary of Cary Medical Center in Caribou, Maine. Nearly a century after its founding, Cary continues to serve the people of Northern Maine with the highest quality of care, all while maintaining a special commitment to our nation's veterans.

Cary Memorial Hospital first opened to the public in September of 1924. The medical center was built on land donated to the City of Caribou by the late Dr. Jefferson B. Cary for the purpose of building a hospital. Over the next 50 years, the Hospital would welcome a number of expansions, before Caribou voters welcomed a new state-of-the-art \$7 million hospital in the mid-1970s.

Just as its namesake was a pioneer as one of the first medical professionals in Aroostook County, since its opening, the new Cary Medical Center has continued to lead the way in the future of healthcare. From the new private hospital rooms at its opening to the new Women's Imaging Center—offering the most advanced breast cancer diagnostic service in Northern Maine—the hospital has been a medical leader for the state and the region.

Perhaps closest to my heart, Cary Medical Center is known for its unwavering commitment to our nation's veterans. In 1988, Cary was the first hospital in the United States to open a VA Community-Based Outpatient Clinic. For the last several years, Cary has offered specialty care to veterans through VA's Project ARCH (Access Received Closer to Home). I was proud to help bring this program to Maine and work closely with Cary's leadership to ensure the program will continue through the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014.

Mr. Speaker, Cary is consistently recognized as one of the top hospitals in Maine and is focused on improving the health of all Mainers. As Cary nears a century of service and caring for the community and the region, I hope that you will join me in honoring the medical professionals, hospital staff, and patients who make Cary a wonderful place to provide and receive care.

TRIBUTE TO ANNE THERESE McCUSKEY

HON. SHELLEY MOORE CAPITO

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 10, 2014

Mrs. CAPITO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor my friend, Anne Therese McCuskey, who died September 4, 2014, in our hometown of Charleston after a long illness. Anne was an exemplary public servant and avid Republican. She always exhibited common sense about political issues, personal issues and was a tireless advocate. I have always been grateful that Anne was willing to work in my first Congressional campaign and serve as my District Director when I entered Congress in 2001.

Born in 1949 and raised in Erie, Pennsylvania, Anne graduated from Villa Maria Academy high school and was among the first women to graduate from Gannon University. She came to West Virginia University as a graduate student in 1971. At WVU, she earned a master's degree in social work, met her beloved husband John, and developed an abiding affection for the Mountain State. She loved her adopted home state and devoted the next 40 years to inspiring West Virginians to reach their true potential.

After graduating from WVU, she and John moved to Bridgeport, where Anne served as Clinical Director for Summit Center, an eight-county regional mental health center, and held leadership positions in the United Way of Harrison County. Anne and John moved their family to Charleston in 1985, when my father, Governor Arch Moore, appointed John as the state's Commissioner of Finance and Administration. As a Charleston resident, Anne expanded her professional efforts on behalf of West Virginians. She was appointed to the Commission for National and Community Service, as well as the West Virginia Governor's Committee on Crime Delinquency and Corrections, the West Virginia Parole Board, the West Virginia Behavioral Health Advisory Council, and the Governor's Advisory Committee on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. She served as Vice President of Government Relations for the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce, Director of Government Relations for the Charleston Regional Chamber of Commerce and Development, and President of the Black Diamond Girl Scout Council.

Anne took great pride in finding talented people and cultivating their talents on behalf of West Virginia. She turned this pride into a career as a campaign professional, working on campaigns throughout the state. In addition to serving as my District Director, Anne later became Executive Director for the West Virginia Republican Party. But Anne always had two favorite candidates, her husband and her son, both named John McCuskey. Beyond her impact at the state and national level, Anne's efforts had a personal impact on everyone in her path.

Although leading an active civic and social life, Anne's first devotion always was to her family. She leaves behind her husband of 38 years, John F. McCuskey, and their children, John B. McCuskey and daughter-in-law Wendy, their daughter, Elizabeth McCuskey and her partner, Victor, as well as an extensive, extended family.

Anne was a truly a great wife, parent, public servant, and patriot. I am so honored to have known and work as closely as I did with her. All, who had the pleasure of knowing her, will experience a void as a result. She had a determined confidence and I will always remember her sage words of advice, "always soldier on and politics isn't Sunday school."

Mr. Speaker, the State of West Virginia, and indeed, the United States of America owe Anne McCuskey a debt of gratitude for her many years of distinguished service in her professional and personal life. I am honored to call her my friend and fellow West Virginian.

RECOGNIZING YATES CONSTRUCTION 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. STEVEN M. PALAZZO

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 10, 2014

Mr. PALAZZO. Mr. Speaker, I stand today to honor a hallmark industry in South Mississippi's Fourth Congressional District, Yates Construction, on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

In 1960, Bill Yates began managing small construction projects for Central Construction while attending classes at The University of Mississippi. While working for Central Construction during college, Bill was able to learn how to develop the skills that would lay the foundation for starting a construction company of his own. In 1963, Bill led his first significant project under the name of W.G. Yates, General Contractor, and in 1964 W.G. Yates & Son Construction Company was formed. Later that year, the company was incorporated as Yates Construction, and has been family owned and operated ever since.

As Yates Construction began to grow, they developed the company motto to be: "On time, within budget, to your satisfaction", which was cultivated as the company's reputation for all of those who have had dealings with Yates Construction over the 50 years of their existence. In 1977, Yates Building Supply was formed and opened their first location in Philadelphia, MS, providing building supplies and home improvement products. In 1978, Yates Heavy Division was formed to accommodate larger projects, helping meet the needs of their clients on a broader scale. In 1986, Yates Engineering Corporation was established, and has been dedicated to provide total performance and management service as well as related support-services to their clients. In 1997, The Yates Companies was incorporated and expanded, opening locations across the southeast region of the country and North America. In 2002, Yates Services was formed. In 2009, Yates Construction's mission statement and core values were formally recognized as "to provide value to our clients" and "Safety, Integrity, Passion, Commitment."

Now, with William G. Yates, III in the President's seat, it is easy to see why this company is a respected part of our local, state, and regional economy. It is my privilege to recognize the 50th anniversary of Yates Construction, and wish the Yates family success for many generations to come.

ROGER STEWART

HON. KATHY CASTOR

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 10, 2014

Ms. CASTOR of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate to honor the life of a true champion of environmentalism, Roger Stewart. His outstanding career in public service and his countless efforts to protect the natural resources of our community will be forever remembered.

Mr. Stewart grew up on a farm in the New York-New Jersey area. At the age of 18, he joined the Army Air Corps where he served

during World War II. He went on to spend the next 21 years serving his country as a pilot. Prior to his retirement as an Air Force Major, he went back to school for a degree in zoology from the University of South Florida. Soon after graduation he accepted a position as a County Health Department biologist with Hillsborough County Department of Health's Pollution Control. Mr. Stewart created the original Water Sampling Network while at the Health Department.

Mr. Stewart paved the way for environmental advocacy in Tampa Bay. He zealously led the, then newly created, Environmental Protection Commission (EPC) in the late 1960s. Despite only having a handful of employees, Mr. Stewart aggressively spearheaded the cleanup of Tampa Bay by creating rules that protected wetlands and forced powerful local companies to reduce air pollution. In February 1974, Mr. Stewart courageously appeared on CBS's "60 Minutes" and expressed concern about the rate of development which was outpacing the protections for sensitive environmental ecosystems as well as air and water quality. He showed viewers the damaging sewage spilling into Tampa Bay. After the interview Mr. Stewart was temporarily fired but brought back to lead the EPC a short time later.

Thanks to Mr. Stewart's leadership, the EPC has grown to a robust staff that has carried out many State, Regional, and Federal level regulatory duties without losing the ability to enforce and maintain local standards. Mr. Stewart, an Air Force pilot-turned-environmentalist, kept Hillsborough County elected officials consistently accountable for making natural resources a priority over corporate profits. He retired in 2000 and passed away on August 21, 2014 at age 89.

Mr. Stewart was an unabashed "purist in the environmental business". His heroic commitment to environmentalism made an unforgettable mark on the Tampa Bay community. Tampa Bay is a better and more beautiful place to live thanks to his efforts. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of a grateful Tampa Bay community, I am proud to recognize Roger Stewart for his lifelong service to the State of Florida.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, September 11, 2014 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.