

With close to 40 years in elected office, Moon was dedicated to improving his community and his State. His public service included time as an Idaho State Senator, a member of the Idaho State House of Representatives, Power County commissioner, and American Falls City councilman and mayor. He was part of numerous Idaho State Senate committees, including on the Health and Welfare and Local Government and Taxation Committees, and interim committees. He also served as chairman of the Indian Affairs Council. Additionally, during his time as Power County commissioner, he was the legislative chair for the Idaho Association of Counties.

He had numerous other leadership roles, and he has been widely recognized for his outstanding leadership. This includes his tenure as the president of the Idaho Cities Association. Moon also served on the Idaho State University Alumni Board and on the Dean's Advisory Board for the College of Pharmacy. He earned the College of Pharmacy's 1999 Professional Achievement Award. In 1998, he was recognized with American Falls High School Education Foundation's first Outstanding Alumna Award, and Moon and his wife Ann were honored with the school's Heritage Award in 2009. These are just a few of his many achievements throughout his well-respected career and community involvement.

His considerable personal experience helped shape his public service. His family homesteaded in Idaho. He attended the University of Idaho and earned a pharmacy degree from Idaho State University. He utilized his degree as manager and owner of Rockland Pharmacy for more than 30 years. He was also a farmer, retaining the family farm until 2008. He was also an avid fly fisherman, camper, and gardener.

I extend my deep condolences to Ann, their children, grandchildren, great-grandson, and many friends and other family members. Moon built a legacy of dedicated service. He left a lasting mark in our communities through the many projects he spearheaded and supported and the countless lives he touched. His commitment to family and community and his exceptional work for Idahoans are central to his remarkable legacy of service.●

#### REMEMBERING BRYCE J. WINTERBOTTOM

● Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, I wish today to honor the life of Bryce Winterbottom, who left a legacy of kindness, care for others, hard work and warmth in his too few years of life.

Bryce lived life to the fullest, and had a strong grasp on the things that mattered most. He is remembered as usually having at least one of his children—Caleb, Maryanne, Henry, and Timothy—by his side as he worked on a variety of projects that included building rockets and cars, stargazing and landscaping. He is known as some-

one who worked hard and enjoyed the outdoors, spending time with family and friends, hiking, gold panning, camping and flying. Bryce encouraged those around him, he was uplifting and liked to help others. Bryce was an Eagle Scout who mentored Boy Scouts and helped advise in the Lewiston High School Skills USA program. He was also a member of the Nez Perce County Sheriff's Air Posse.

Bryce is greatly missed in his hometown of Lewiston, where he was part of the heart of the community. He attended elementary, junior, and senior high school in Lewiston, and went on to serve a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Colorado Springs, CO, before obtaining bachelor's and master's degrees in mechanical engineering from the University of Idaho and then working for Schweitzer Engineering. He married his high school sweetheart Amanda, and they built a wonderful family together.

May Bryce's love of life, service to others, enthusiasm, warmth and devotion to family live on in his children. I extend my deepest condolences to Amanda, Caleb, Maryanne, Henry, and Timothy; his parents Ed and Chris, his brothers and sisters, and his many other loved ones and friends. Bryce's light will burn bright in this world through the hearts of those who had the good fortune of being part of his beautiful life.●

#### CONGRATULATING ALLYSON LAMMIMAN

● Mr. HELLER. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize and congratulate Ms. Lammiman for being awarded the National Association of Agricultural Educators Agriscience Teacher of the Year award. Ms. Lammiman will receive her award at the NAAE convention in Las Vegas on December 5, along with a grant to purchase supplies and equipment for her classes. I am humbled and honored to congratulate her on being presented this prestigious award.

The National Association of Agricultural Educators named only six educators throughout the United States this year, and Ms. Lammiman, who is a teacher at Douglas High School in Minden, NV, is among the select few chosen. The National Agriscience Teacher of the Year award recognizes teachers who have inspired and enlightened their students through engaging and interactive lessons in the science of agriculture. Ms. Lammiman, who has taught at Douglas High School for the past 9 years, exemplifies these qualities. During her tenure, she has created several hands-on courses that allow students to apply in-class lessons to real-life situations in agricultural science.

Her mission to teach her students to think, rather than what to think, is displayed in the courses that she has available for students. Ms. Lammiman's students are truly receiv-

ing a hands-on education through her classes in floriculture, where children learn to operate a self-sufficient floriculture business; equine science, where they aided in the training and care of an adopted, orphaned foal named "Flash;" and natural resources, where the students create trails, raise Lahontan Cutthroat trout, and collect data on Nevada's wild horse population. Ms. Lammiman is not only an advocate for agriculture in the classroom, but is also a co-advisor for the local Future Farmers of America chapter. Through her role as a co-advisor, she recruits volunteers from the community to coach FFA teams, teaches the students to train horses, provides placements for the individualized work experience internship courses, and helps the students to raise livestock. The FFA serves to provide students the opportunity to become well-educated, skilled, and productive citizens through agricultural education.

It is no secret that teaching is one of the hardest jobs in the world and one of the most important. As a father of four children who attended Nevada's public schools, and as the husband of a life-long teacher, I understand the important role that teachers play in enriching the lives of Nevada's students. Ensuring that America's youth are prepared to compete in the 21st century is critical for the future of our country. The State of Nevada is fortunate to be home to an educator like Ms. Lammiman, whose mission to educate children extends far beyond the walls of the classroom.

I ask my colleagues and all Nevadans to join me in thanking Ms. Lammiman for dedication to enriching the lives of Nevada's students and congratulating her on this great achievement.●

#### DAVIS COUNTY, IOWA

● Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, the strength of my State of Iowa lies in its vibrant local communities, where citizens come together to foster economic development, make smart investments to expand opportunity, and take the initiative to improve the health and well-being of residents. Over the decades, I have witnessed the growth and revitalization of so many communities across my State. It has been deeply gratifying to see how my work in Congress has supported these local efforts.

I have always believed in accountability for public officials, and this, my final year in the Senate, is an appropriate time to give an accounting of my work across four decades representing Iowa in Congress. I take pride in accomplishments that have been national in scope—for instance, passing the Americans with Disabilities Act and spearheading successful farm bills. But I take a very special pride in projects that have made a big difference in local communities across my State.

Today I would like to give an accounting of my work with leaders and

residents of Davis County to build a legacy of a stronger local economy, better schools and educational opportunities, and a healthier, safer community.

Between 2001 and 2013, the creative leadership in your community has worked with me to successfully acquire financial assistance from programs I have fought hard to support, which have provided more than \$30 million to the local economy.

Of course, my favorite memory of working together has to be the community's success in earning grants for fire safety equipment and facilities through FEMA, working with Bloomfield to renovate the Davis County Courthouse, and the J.H. Leon Building through Main Street Iowa challenge grant funds.

Among the highlights:

**Keeping Iowa communities safe:** I also firmly believe that our first responders need to be appropriately trained and equipped, able to respond to both local emergencies and to statewide challenges such as, for instance, the methamphetamine epidemic. Since 2001, Davis County's fire departments have received over \$1.9 million for firefighter safety and operations equipment.

**Main Street Iowa:** One of the greatest challenges we face—in Iowa and all across America—is preserving the character and vitality of our small towns and rural communities. This isn't just about economics. It is also about maintaining our identity as Iowans. Main Street Iowa helps preserve Iowa's heart and soul by providing funds to revitalize downtown business districts. This program has allowed towns such as Bloomfield to use that money to leverage other investments to jumpstart change and renewal. I am so pleased that Davis County has earned \$63,000 through this program. These grants build much more than buildings. They build up the spirit and morale of people in our small towns and local communities.

**School grants:** Every child in Iowa deserves to be educated in a classroom that is safe, accessible, and modern. That is why, for the past decade and a half, I have secured funding for the innovative Iowa Demonstration Construction Grant Program—better known among educators in Iowa as Harkin grants for public schools construction and renovation. Across 15 years, Harkin grants worth more than \$132 million have helped school districts to fund a range of renovation and repair efforts—everything from updating fire safety systems to building new schools. In many cases, these Federal dollars have served as the needed incentive to leverage local public and private dollars, so it often has a tremendous multiplier effect within a school district. Over the years, Davis County has received \$659,000 in Harkin grants. Similarly, schools in Davis County have received funds that I designated for Iowa Star Schools for technology totaling \$35,000.

**Agricultural and rural development:** Because I grew up in a small town in rural Iowa, I have always been a loyal friend and fierce advocate for family farmers and rural communities. I have been a member of the House or Senate Agriculture Committee for 40 years—including more than 10 years as chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee. Across the decades, I have championed farm policies for Iowans that include effective farm income protection and commodity programs; strong, progressive conservation assistance for agricultural producers; renewable energy opportunities; and robust economic development in our rural communities. Since 1991, through various programs authorized through the farm bill, Davis County has received more than \$3.1 million from a variety of farm bill programs.

**Disability Rights:** Growing up, I loved and admired my brother Frank, who was deaf. I was deeply disturbed by the discrimination and obstacles he faced every day. That is why I have always been a passionate advocate for full equality for people with disabilities. As the primary author of the Americans with Disabilities Act and the ADA Amendments Act, I have had four guiding goals for our fellow citizens with disabilities: equal opportunity, full participation, independent living and economic self-sufficiency. Nearly a quarter century since passage of the ADA, I see remarkable changes in communities everywhere I go in Iowa—not just in curb cuts or closed-captioned television, but in the full participation of people with disabilities in our society and economy, folks who at long last have the opportunity to contribute their talents and to be fully included. These changes have increased economic opportunities for all citizens of Davis County, both those with and without disabilities. They make us proud to be a part of a community and country that respects the worth and civil rights of all of our citizens.

This is at least a partial accounting of my work on behalf of Iowa, and specifically Davis County, during my time in Congress. In every case, this work has been about partnerships, cooperation, and empowering folks at the State and local level, including in Davis County, to fulfill their own dreams and initiatives. And, of course, this work is never complete. Even after I retire from the Senate, I have no intention of retiring from the fight for a better, fairer, richer Iowa. I will always be profoundly grateful for the opportunity to serve the people of Iowa as their Senator.●

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Today I would like to give an accounting of my work with leaders and residents of Delaware County to build a legacy of a stronger local economy, better schools and educational opportunities, and a healthier, safer community.

Between 2001 and 2013, the creative leadership in your community has worked with me to successfully acquire financial assistance from programs I have fought hard to support, which have provided more than \$9 million to the local economy.

Of course, my favorite memory of working together has to be working together to mitigate and prevent damage from natural disasters. In 1993, when historic floods ripped through Iowa, it became clear to me that the national emergency-response infrastructure was woefully inadequate to meet the needs of Iowans in flood-ravaged communities. I went to work dramatically expanding the Federal Emergency Management Agency's hazard mitigation program, which helps communities reduce the loss of life and property due to natural disasters and enables mitigation measures to be implemented during the immediate recovery period. Disaster relief means more than helping people and businesses get back on their feet after a disaster, it means doing our best to prevent the same predictable flood or other catastrophe from recurring in the future. The hazard mitigation program that I helped create in 1993 has provided critical support to Iowa communities impacted by the devastating floods of 2008. Delaware County has received over \$5 million to remediate and prevent widespread destruction from natural disasters.

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