

I applaud and congratulate Chandra for her accomplishments and for providing excellent customer service to Adair County and its citizens. I am proud to represent her in the United States Congress. I know that my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives join me in congratulating Chandra and wish her nothing but the best in her retirement.

CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF NORTHWEST NEW JERSEY COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2015

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, to celebrate Northwest New Jersey Community Action Partnership, otherwise known as NORWESCAP, located in Morris County, New Jersey, as it celebrates its Fiftieth Anniversary.

In 1965, NORWESCAP was incorporated by a group of concerned citizens from Hunterdon, Sussex and Warren counties, whose mission was to eliminate poverty in the area. NORWESCAP is one of twenty-three Community Action Agencies in the State of New Jersey. The agency actively supports low-income households, as these citizens develop their abilities to become self-reliant and build relationships within the community.

Over the past fifty years, the agency has expanded its reach into Morris, Somerset, and Passaic Counties. NORWESCAP assists more than 35,000 individuals each year, with a portfolio of emergency, preventative and self-sufficiency services. With 270 full and part-time employees and 1,400 volunteers operating 15 unique programs, the agency has been working to improve the lives of low income individuals and families by "Creating Opportunities" and "Changing Lives." An example of one of their programs is the Family Success Center, which brings together residents and leaders in the community to address the struggles that poverty-ridden families deal with every day.

Another significant program that NORWESCAP provides is the Child and Family Resource Services. With twenty-five years of enhancing the accessibility and quality of early care and education, the agency has proven its dedication to strengthening families and communities in the area. The Child and Family Resource Service staff is committed to the belief that all children deserve access to quality affordable child care. Furthermore, by providing information, referrals, various child care subsidies, education and collaboration of efforts among all those involved in child care, this team has had a positive effect on the community. CFRS has been cited for "a number of best practices regarding the management of the programs they implement." They became Child Care Aware Quality Assured in 2005; this identifies the agency as one that strives for excellence.

It is apparent that NORWESCAP's value to the public is priceless, and I express great admiration for their service.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating NORWESCAP, its Board of Directors, administration and employees, as it celebrates its Fiftieth Anniversary.

25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

HON. DAVID G. REICHERT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2015

Mr. REICHERT. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize the 25th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). This landmark legislation was critical to ensuring all Americans living with disabilities were guaranteed equal access to opportunities to live a full and meaningful life without being discriminated against. With over 55 million people living in our nation with disabilities, it is sometimes hard to realize that before 1990, so many barriers stood in their way to leading happy, successful lives.

My own godson lives with significant disabilities and if this law had not been enacted before he was born, his life would have turned out very differently—it would have been difficult to access transportation, public and private spaces, and receive an education. It is so important that we continue building upon the successes of the ADA and that we do everything within our power for those who need us to fight just a little bit extra for them, and that is why we must remember this anniversary.

TRIBUTE TO JACOB "JAY" BOJORQUEZ

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2015

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Jacob "Jay" Bojorquez. A resident of Temple, Texas, Jay became an angel on July 13, 2015. My thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends during this difficult time.

Jay was a native son of Monticello, New Mexico. His was a life of service and devotion to causes bigger than himself. Growing up in the rugged Land of Enchantment instilled in Jay a desire to protect our environment and, as a young man, he volunteered to fight forest fires in the scenic Black Range Mountains. As a Korean War veteran, Jay experienced firsthand the sacrifices our men and women of the armed forces make for the cause of freedom.

Blessed with a fierce intellect and aptitude with numbers, Jay graduated from Western New Mexico University with a bachelor's degree in accounting. He applied his talents as a financial auditor for El Paso's Thomason General Hospital.

Committed to public service, Jay played an active part in making any community he resided in a great place to live and work. Jay served as an elected member of the Horizon Regional Municipal Utilities District Board of Directors, Commander of the American Legion Post, President of the Lion's Club, President of the Horizon Communities Improvement Association, Treasurer of the Horizon Volunteer Fire Department, and a member of the Troop Committee for Boy Scout Troop 55 (Yucca Council). He also served on the City of Temple's Tax Increment Finance Reinvestment Zone Board.

Jay was married to Betty, the love of his life, 47 years. During their joyous life together, they lived, loved, and prospered as one. Proud parents of seven children, grandparents of eighteen, and great-grandparents of fourteen, Jay and Betty kept family at the center of their lives.

While we mourn Jay Bojorquez's passing, his presence was a blessing for all who knew him. The positive impacts he had on the lives of others will live on and remain in our hearts forever.

IN HONOR OF CORPORAL STEVEN L. LEVY

HON. DONALD NORCROSS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2015

Mr. NORCROSS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of fallen officer Corporal Steven Levy of the Washington Township Police Department in Gloucester County, New Jersey, for his extraordinary sacrifice and exemplary service to the citizens of New Jersey and the United States.

Corporal Levy was a decorated officer of the Washington Township Police and a volunteer member on the Gloucester County Critical Incident Team. Serving as a police officer is an admirable quality in itself, but answering the call of CIT duty requires a superior level of dedication.

On October 21, 1999, Corporal Levy was killed in the line of duty while responding to a call about a domestic standoff in Woodbury, NJ. His untimely death left behind his beloved wife, Mrs. Janeen Levy and two children, Kevin and Jessica.

I have the pleasure of knowing his son, Kevin, who is following his father's example of public service and interning in my office this summer. It is because of Kevin, and the families of fallen public safety officers like him, that I decided to cosponsor The Children of Fallen Heroes Scholarship Act, which makes the children of law enforcement officers, firefighters, EMS workers, and fire police who died in the line of duty eligible for the maximum available Pell Grant.

Mr. Speaker, public safety workers like Corporal Steven Levy dedicate their careers to serving their communities, putting their lives on the line every day to protect us. The loss of these selfless men and women is a devastating loss for our communities, but no one suffers more than their families. Although nothing can replace the loss of a loved one, we owe it to local heroes, like Corporal Levy, to honor their memory by taking positive action on behalf of their families.

TRIBUTE TO MARY O'RILEY

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Mrs. Mary O'Riley, of Creston, Iowa for being selected as Union County's 2015 inductee into the Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame.

Mary will be inducted during a ceremony at the Iowa State Fair on August 23, 2015. She was chosen because of her long-standing devotion to 4-H and her commitment to helping each child develop to their full potential. She also is being recognized for 30 years of service as show ring announcer at the Union County Fair. Mary's additional contributions to 4-H include 13 years as a club leader, working with 4-H as an extension employee, judging 4-H project work, and serving as a member and officer of the Union County Friends of 4-H Foundation.

Mr. Speaker, the example set by Mary demonstrates the rewards of harnessing one's talents and sharing them with the world. Her efforts embody the Iowa spirit and I am honored to represent her, and Iowans like her, in the United States Congress. I know that all of my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating Mary for her achievements and wish her nothing but continued success.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ELIZABETH H. ESTY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2015

Ms. ESTY. Mr. Speaker, I want to state that on Wednesday, July 22, I unfortunately missed three roll call votes as I was attending a classified briefing at the White House Situation Room on the recently announced Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action with Iran. Had I been present I would have voted:

1. NO—Ordering the Previous Question (Roll #450). I would have voted no in order to allow a vote on H.R. 3064, the GROW AMERICA Act. I am a proud cosponsor of this robust six-year expansion of funding for our America's transportation and infrastructure, which would provide much needed certainty for those projects and the jobs that rely on them.

2. NO—Approving H. Res. 369 (Roll #451). I would have voted no on H. Res. 369, which prevented the House from considering either H.R. 1599 or H.R. 1734 with the appropriate deliberation and open debate such important matters deserve.

3. AYE—Approving the Journal (Roll #452). I would have voted AYE on approving the Journal.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SCOTT GARRETT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2015

Mr. GARRETT. Mr. Speaker, on July 16, 2015, the House of Representatives considered H.R. 2898 and several amendments to that bill. On that day, I was in New Jersey to attend my daughter's wedding and, therefore, could not vote on that legislation.

HONORING DEBORAH KALCEVIC ON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT FROM THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE

HON. TOM PRICE

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2015

Mr. TOM PRICE of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I along with Representative KLINE, Representative VAN HOLLEN, and Representative SCOTT of Virginia wish to pay tribute to Deborah Kalcevic, who is retiring this month after 40 years of distinguished service to the Congress at the Congressional Budget Office (CBO). She is the longest serving employee in the history of CBO. Since joining CBO in 1975 she has spent most of her time in the Income Security and Education Cost Estimates Unit. Ms. Kalcevic has worked closely with the Budget Committee and the authorizing committees on issues related to student loans and higher education. As one of the foremost experts on student loans, Ms. Kalcevic has been invaluable in helping the Budget Committee fulfill our responsibilities under the Congressional Budget Act and in assisting the Education and the Workforce Committee with countless reforms to the Higher Education Act.

Ms. Kalcevic is held in high esteem by both Republicans and Democrats for her tireless and diligent work. Her knowledge of student loan programs is legendary, as is her ability and willingness to help people more fully understand the important aspects and nuances of those programs. The work she did was incredibly important, and we are grateful to Ms. Kalcevic for her assistance, expertise, and dedication over the last four decades.

In short, Ms. Kalcevic exemplifies CBO's high standard of professionalism, objectivity, and nonpartisanship. In fact, she twice has received the CBO Director's award, the agency's highest recognition for outstanding performance. As the Chairmen and Ranking Members, we greatly appreciate the commitment that Ms. Kalcevic has shown in assisting the Budget and Education and the Workforce Committees and the Congress. We wish her well in her future endeavors, including her desire to spend more time with her family and close friends.

TRIBUTE TO STEPHANIE LOISELLE

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Stephanie Loisel of Clive, Iowa for receiving a coveted Fulbright award during the 2014–2015 Academic Year. Stephanie is a recent graduate of the Monterey Institute of International Studies with a Master's degree in Teaching Foreign Languages and International Education Management. She will travel to Colombia in August 2015 and begin working in an English teaching assistantship.

Established by Congress in 1946, the Fulbright Program is funded through an annual appropriation to the U.S. Department of State. It serves as a valuable foreign affairs tool by

making people-to-people connections. It also gives participants a chance to help with important issues across the globe and gain valuable skills, giving them the necessary experience to lead our future generations. With over 360,000 participants since its creation, the Fulbright Program serves an important role in educating our young people and improving our diplomatic relations.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great respect and admiration that I recognize Stephanie today. It is the young people like her who are willing to work hard and make sacrifices for the betterment of society that will lead our future generations. I know my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives join me in congratulating Stephanie on this outstanding achievement and wish her nothing but continued success moving forward.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2015

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I would like to clarify my vote on H.R. 3009, Enforce the Law for Sanctuary Cities Act (ROLL CALL 466). I was on the floor and inserted my voting card to record a "YES" vote for H.R. 3009. Unfortunately my vote failed to register. On the recorded final total tally, I am listed as having "NOT VOTED" even though I intended and attempted to vote in favor of the bill. Immediately prior to vote on final passage, my vote against the Democratic Motion to Recommit is recorded. I also spoke in favor of H.R. 3009 on the House Floor.

STUDENT TAX RELIEF ACT OF 2015

HON. JIM McDERMOTT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2015

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce the Student Tax Relief Act of 2015. This bill is meant to help the students who attended Corinthian Colleges, Inc.

The legislation is designed to help students affected by the sale of 53 Corinthian College Inc., campuses to Zenith Education Group, a subsidiary of Education Credit Management Corporation (ECMC). It will also help students who get debt relief as a result of a successful in asserting in defense against repayments.

My bill, at the time of introduction, has 23 original cosponsors and has the support of nine outside organizations—American Federation of Teachers (AFT), AFL–CIO, Campaign for America's Future, Consumers Union, National Education Association (NEA), New York Students Rising (NYSR), One Wisconsin Now (OWN), Young Invincibles, Student Debt Crisis.

Corinthian Colleges, Inc. was the parent of several private, for-profit institutions of higher education, the Everest Institute, Everest Colleges, Heald Colleges, and Wyotech Technical Schools.

The Zenith formed for the purpose of buying 53 campuses from Corinthian Colleges, Inc. and completed the purchase in 2015. As part