

Even with all of the advances in modern medicine, cancer is still the leading cause of death by disease among children in the United States. It does not discriminate among its victims; any child can become afflicted no matter how young or how small. It affects children from each gender and all nationalities, religions, and socio-economic backgrounds. In most tragic fact, a child is diagnosed with cancer every 36 minutes. No one and no family is immune from this devastating disease. But there is hope.

Blessedly, modern medical research and treatments have greatly improved the survival rate for children with cancer. As of 2010, there were approximately 380,000 childhood cancer survivors living across our country. This dramatic improvement is a result of an increased quality of care, early detection, and advances in innovative research—along with a growing wellspring of financial support beneath it all.

Hyundai Hope on Wheels is leading the way with its commitment to cancer research. In its 17th year of battling childhood cancer, Hope on Wheels will award \$10.5 million in research grants to hospitals across the United States during this September, National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. Hope on Wheels has been investing in pediatric cancer research since 1998, and this month they will surpass \$100 million in lifetime funding to this critical cause.

I express my most heartfelt congratulations and gratitude to everyone at Hyundai who has made this wonderful investment in our children a powerful reality.

This year, one of Hyundai Hope on Wheels' grants will be awarded to Pennsylvania's own Dr. James Anthony Graves at the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh of UPMC, where he is researching neuroblastoma, the most common extracranial pediatric tumor. This award and others will allow doctors like Dr. Graves to continue to work on life-saving cancer therapies and new treatments for children in Pennsylvania and across our country.

Mr. Speaker, for working to improve the survival rate of our nation's children tragically diagnosed with cancer, I ask that my colleagues join with me today in recognizing the heroic work of Hyundai Hope on Wheels. Committed to winning the fight against pediatric cancer, this extraordinary organization is providing generations of American children with the hope of a healthy future.

COMMENDING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2015 NIPSCO LUMINARY AWARDS

HON. PETER J. VISCOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mr. VISCOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with great respect and admiration that I rise to commend the recipients of this year's NIPSCO Luminary Awards. The Luminary Awards were created to honor individuals or organizations throughout the community that have displayed exemplary leadership in the areas of community leadership, economic development, education, environmental stewardship, and public safety. This year's honorees include Mayor Karen Freeman-Wilson, the Northeast Indiana Regional Partnership, Starke County Initiative

for Lifelong Learning, Porter County Career and Technical Center, and the Tri-Town Safety Village. For their extraordinary contributions to their communities and throughout the region, the honorees will be recognized at a ceremony on Thursday, September 17, 2015, at NiSource Corporate Headquarters in Merrillville, Indiana.

Mayor Karen Freeman-Wilson was honored with the Community Leadership Award for her strong leadership skills, creativity, and dedication to improving and strengthening the City of Gary. On December 31, 2011, she became the first woman to lead Gary and the first African-American female mayor in the state of Indiana. Mayor Freeman-Wilson's passion for her home, the City of Gary, is unwavering. She is dedicated and continues to take on the city's challenges with integrity and enthusiasm. Mayor Freeman-Wilson has been a true community leader and asset to the people of Gary, as well as Northwest Indiana and beyond. She is worthy of this prestigious honor.

Northeast Indiana Regional Partnership (NIRP) is the recipient of the Economic Development Award. The organization was formed in 2006 with the goal of helping to establish and develop a worldwide competitive economy in Northeast Indiana. The organization is a proven success and is one of the top performing regional economic development organizations in the nation. The NIRP is a truly inventive organization and is crucial in today's ever-changing economy.

Starke County Initiative for Lifelong Learning (SCILL) was honored with the Education Award. Created in 1996, the organization provides educational opportunities for industrial employees and continues to invest its efforts in developing a well-trained workforce within the regional community. For its exceptional dedication to empowering individuals through education and developing a strong workforce to promote economic growth within the community, SCILL is truly inspiring.

The Porter County Career and Technical Center (PCCTC) is the recipient of the Environmental Stewardship Award. The program started in 1971 and was formed with the purpose of providing a wide range of vocational and technical education programs to high school students. Throughout the years, the PCCTC has provided young people with the tools they need to succeed in their future endeavors. In addition, the organization has been a leader in the expansion of environmental education opportunities in the region and continues to develop the students' knowledge of environmentally sustainable energy sources. For educating our youth on the latest environmental challenges, innovations, and developments, the PCCTC is worthy of this special honor.

The Public Safety Award recipient is the Tri-Town Safety Village. This not-for-profit organization is directed by an eighteen member advisory board with representatives from the towns of Dyer, Schererville, and Saint John. The "Safety Village and Alive House" hands-on display teaches children about safety in and around their communities. For their dedication to providing and preparing our youth with safety education, they are to be highly commended.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in commending these outstanding leaders and organizations. Their contributions to their communities,

Northwest Indiana, and worldwide are immeasurable, and the honorees are worthy of the highest praise.

KELLEY TRUCKING INC.

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the employees of Kelley Trucking Inc. in Golden, Colorado for their heroic acts on June 3, 2015.

On Wednesday, June 3, 2015 while at his Kelley Trucking Inc. Offices, John Kelley went into complete cardiac arrest. The heroic acts of the other six employees that were with John not only brought quick aid to the scene, they ultimately saved John's life. In the following moments Mike Easley, David Seehafer, Luke Kelley, Cal Kelley, John's wife Kelly Dorothy Kelley (Dottie) and Con Cockrum each provided the help John needed to receive urgent medical care as well as providing life-saving assistance that astounded John's family, medical staff, and myself.

When John went into complete cardiac arrest, David retrieved the onsite Automated External Defibrillator (AED) within 30 seconds. During this time Mr. Easley and John's son Luke got John into the rescue position while Con called 911. Dottie attached the pads of the AED and upon analyzing his heart they found it was completely stopped and would need a defibrillator shock. Cal Kelley administered the shock, while Luke began CPR compression and Dottie administered mouth to mouth. Mike and Cal were able to keep clear heads as they focused on leading the compressions. After the first set of CPR another shock was administered, and with the second shock John's heart was miraculously restarted. By this time Nick and David had brought the ambulance and Fire Department to the correct location. It is fortunate that the people surrounding John that day not only knew what to do but were able to execute the steps quickly and correctly. This shows the importance of providing adequate CPR trainings and having an AED onsite.

While everything happened so fast that day, the care and speed in which the people surrounding John dealt with the situation is what made all the difference. I am inspired by the care that these coworkers have had for each other and by their actions that can be described as nothing less than heroic.

I extend my deepest thanks to the employees of Kelley Trucking Inc. for their actions that day and their service to John Kelley and his family. These employees' courageous acts show how dedication to service and quick thinking can save lives.

HONORING THE VETERANS WALL OF FREEDOM

HON. PETE AGUILAR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mr. AGUILAR. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to pay tribute to the Veterans Wall of Freedom,

a monument to be erected in Grand Terrace, California. This memorial will honor the service, sacrifice and spirit of our nation's veterans, hundreds of thousands of whom called the Inland Empire home.

This will memorialize the brave men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom and liberty. We will never forget what they did for our nation, risking their lives to keep us safe and free. For over two hundred years, brave Americans have put their lives in harm's way for the sake of our country. The Veterans Wall of Freedom will allow us to pay tribute to those courageous souls, and to teach future generations of their selflessness and sacrifice.

The Veterans Wall of Freedom will serve as a constant reminder of the fearless Americans who lived beside us for decades and through multiple wars, and what they did to protect our families, communities and country.

MIKE BESTOR

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a true public servant and community leader. After serving more than 21 years as City Manager of Golden, Colorado, Mike Bestor is retiring.

Mike's work ethic, integrity and thoughtfulness made him an effective City Manager for the City of Golden for more than 21 years. Golden flourished under Mike's management. His efforts to develop biking and hiking trails, additional park space, Fossil Trace Golf Course, the community center and countless other projects have helped enhance Golden and the ability for residents and visitors alike to live, work and play there. Even during the recession, Mike was able to keep Golden strong despite difficult budget cuts. Mike's appreciation and dedication to the city and its employees and residents is evident in everything he accomplished.

Mike Bestor exemplifies the best in public service, and Golden was fortunate to have his leadership for 21 years. Congratulations on your retirement and thank you for all you have done for the City of Golden and our community.

RECOGNIZING MR. TAYLOR
LANCASTER

HON. LOIS CAPPS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize the accomplishments of Taylor Lancaster, my constituent who just completed a cross-country trek to bring attention to the cause of proper labeling of food products containing GMOs. Taylor has devoted the past eight months of his life to traversing 2,700 miles by foot, in order to raise awareness for this important issue.

Taylor began his journey on January 5th of this year at the famous Santa Monica Pier. From there, he crossed our country's great

deserts, mountains, and plains, to arrive on the banks of the Potomac, here in Washington, D.C. Taylor did not do this alone; he had help along the way. Kind people in diverse communities shared their homes, allied and affiliated organizations shared his story, and his sponsors supported him. Taylor also had the opportunity to meet with like-minded groups, politicians, and schoolchildren to share his message as he crossed the country.

Taylor, who is my constituent and a resident of Santa Barbara, California, has been a backpacker for more than 20 years. He has worked on an organic farm and tended to organic gardens and orchards at a monastery. It was during his time at the monastery that he decided to undertake a journey in support of something larger than himself.

Like Taylor and the majority of American consumers, I firmly believe consumers have the right to know what is in their food. Part of Taylor's mission is to bring awareness to, and oppose, proposed legislation that would prohibit any mandatory labeling of GMOs. I have consistently voted against this type of legislation and applaud Taylor and his efforts to spread this message he believes in.

I am pleased to recognize Taylor's achievements on behalf of consumers' right to know and wish him continued success in his future endeavors.

CELEBRATING THE TOWN OF
HEBRON'S 125TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. PETER J. VISCOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mr. VISCOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with sincere pride that I recognize the town of Hebron, Indiana, as town officials and the entire community celebrate the very special occasion of its 125th anniversary.

Prior to its incorporation in March of 1890, Hebron was originally known as the "Corners" based on the crossing of two roads at its location. Although the town's first three attempts at incorporation were unsuccessful, the area thrived and continued to grow, and the first school was constructed in 1842. The year of 1845 was significant in that the first constructed log house was completed within the community, while the petition for a local post office was also submitted by Reverend Wilson Blaine during that year. The petition would be approved within a year's time and named Hebron after Reverend Blaine's congregation. A new era arose in 1863 with the construction of the Pittsburgh, Chicago, and Saint Louis Railroad, linking the community by rail with Chicago's business and economic opportunities. Residents could now leave for business in Chicago in the morning and return in the evening. The years to come would mark an exciting time for Hebron and for all of Northwest Indiana.

Although it was not yet incorporated, the census taken in 1886 showed that the area had a population of 663. By its centennial year in 1990, Hebron had demonstrated a steady growth with a population of 2696 residents. This trend has continued throughout the years, as the latest census data indicates that Hebron's population has reached 3700.

In celebration of the town's 125th anniversary, festivities will be held in Hebron during

the annual Block Party for the Town on Saturday, September 19, 2015. In commemoration of this milestone, there will be a walking tour of community homes built in the 1800s, and the town's museum will be open for residents, visitors, and friends to reflect on the rich history of Hebron. In addition, entertainment and a grand fireworks display will take place for all to enjoy. A time capsule will also be buried near the Hebron clock tower to mark this special anniversary. For their devotion to their town's memory and prosperity, I would like to take the time to acknowledge Town Council President Don Ensign, Vice President Dave Peeler, council members, Pete Breckman, Mike Mantai, and Keith Cunningham, Clerk-Treasurer Terri Waywood.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my distinguished colleagues join me in honoring the 125th anniversary of the town of Hebron, Indiana. For 125 years, the people of Hebron have demonstrated a level of pride in and service to their community that is unmatched. The town and its people have been an integral part of the Northwest Indiana community for generations, and I have been proud to serve as their representative.

PIE CONSULTING AND
ENGINEERING

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Pie Consulting and Engineering in Arvada, Colorado for being honored by Colorado Companies to Watch (CCTW).

CCTW is a unique awards program that recognizes and celebrates the contribution, innovation and energy of diverse second-stage companies that exemplify strong management, and community service involvement. While there are many outstanding companies in Colorado, Pie was chosen based on their positive impact on economic growth and the way they empower the innovation of their clients, staff and the community around them.

Pie Consulting & Engineering began in 1999 and has grown to be a leading forensic engineering and building sciences firm with offices throughout the nation. Pie's team of building science engineers and consultants provide enclosure consulting and services nationally and internationally for a variety of department of defense, federal, institutional, commercial, religious, medical, resort, mission-critical and mixed-use facilities. Their clients include the Marriott at Denver International Airport, and Pearl Place, the new Google complex.

The spirit of Pie's organization is fueled by strong company core values of ownership, community, integrity, respect, optimism and an emphasis on charitable giving. The high level of devotion Pie has shown to their community speaks to their quality of service. Pie takes pride in positively impacting the community of Arvada by hosting charity events and offering a Charitable Time Off program for employees to support charitable causes and non-profits that are important to them. Pie Consulting and Engineering is a great community asset and I'm proud of the service they provide our community. I am certain their service will continue to benefit our communities for decades to come.