

Louise Knight Knox for her outstanding achievements, service, and public distinction. We pray that her children, grandchildren and loved ones will be consoled and comforted by an abiding faith and the Holy Spirit in the days, weeks and months ahead.

**MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE IN INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WITH SENATOR PAUL SIMON AWARD**

**HON. RICHARD E. NEAL**

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 3, 2015*

Mr. NEAL. Mr. Speaker, I want to take this opportunity to recognize Mount Holyoke College and its accomplishments in international education. On November 17, Mount Holyoke College President Lynn Pasquerella accepted the 2015 Senator Paul Simon Award for excellence in international education at a ceremony in Washington, D.C. The week of November 16 marked the 16th anniversary of International Education Week.

Mount Holyoke College, located in South Hadley, Massachusetts, was among five institutions selected to receive this prestigious honor from NAFSA: Association of International Educators. The designation is given to institutions that demonstrate significant progress in expanding the reach and fostering collaboration among students, faculty, and staff in the interest of internationalization.

Twenty-five percent of Mount Holyoke students are international citizens and the college boasts a rich tradition of leadership in international education. Mount Holyoke was among the first institutions to send women abroad for scholarly study. Additionally, the McCulloch Center for Global Initiatives was established in 2004 to serve as a catalyst for comprehensive international education.

According to Eva Paus, Carol Hoffmann Collins Director of the McCulloch Center for Global Initiatives and professor of economics, international education became a strategic priority at Mount Holyoke in 2003, following on a legacy of international engagement reaching back to the early days of the college's founding. The McCulloch Center, which Professor Paus helped found, brought greater cohesion and visibility to international education; and its many initiatives across Mount Holyoke have increased students' understanding of the global world and their engagement with other cultures.

In classes and through off-campus experiences, students and faculty analyze questions from cross-disciplinary or cross-cultural perspectives, making connections between the local and the global, and harnessing classroom learning to solve concrete problems. The many forms of integrative and cross-cultural teaching and learning at Mount Holyoke and abroad support the college's goal of educating women to be the global leaders of tomorrow.

Today, Mount Holyoke is committed to giving all students access to the life-changing experiences that learning abroad often provides. Over the past few years, it has funded nearly all students who apply for a Laurel Fellowship in support of study abroad. Additionally, a 2013 pledge to fund one summer internship or

research experience for every student now makes it possible for all interested students to have an internship abroad.

Mount Holyoke was joined in receiving the 2015 Simon Award for Comprehensive Internationalization by North Central College of Naperville, Illinois, the University of Delaware, the University of San Diego, and the University of Virginia. President Pasquerella participated in a panel discussion on internationalization in higher education with presidents of the other award-winning institutions to promote this vital pursuit. The award is named for noted Illinois Senator Paul Simon.

Mr. Speaker, through courses, conferences, research, international internships, study abroad, collaborations with external partners, and the unique learning opportunities offered by international student and faculty diversity, Mount Holyoke College students acquire the skills they will need for citizenship and careers in today's global world. At a time when the ability to work across national borders is crucial to addressing global problems, I wish Mount Holyoke College and the McCulloch Center for Global Initiatives continued success in their future endeavors.

**WELCOME LUCY GRACE STIPICEVIC**

**HON. JOE WILSON**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 3, 2015*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I am happy to congratulate Deputy Chief of Staff for Floor and Member Services John Stipicevic and his wife, Kristin Stipicevic, Executive Assistant in the Office of the Majority Leader, on the birth of their new baby girl. Lucy Grace Stipicevic was born at 11:15 a.m. on Saturday, November 28, 2015. Born at Sibley Memorial Hospital in Washington, D.C., Lucy weighed seven pounds and two ounces and measured 19 and  $\frac{3}{4}$  inches long. She is the first child for the happy couple and I have no doubt her talented parents will be dedicated to her well-being and bright future.

I would also like to congratulate Lucy's grandparents, James and Katherine Stipicevic of Yonkers, New York, and Tim and Jan Thomson of Buttonwillow, California. Congratulations to the entire Stipicevic and Thomson families as they welcome their newest addition of pure pride and joy.

**RECOGNIZING DR. KELCEY SWYERS**

**HON. KEN BUCK**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 3, 2015*

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Kelcey Swyers on being selected as the 2016 Rising Star in Colorado Agriculture. This honor is reserved for those who have made a significant contribution to the agricultural industry of Colorado and the United States.

Dr. Swyers has an extensive background in Colorado agriculture. She received a Bachelor of Science in Animal Science and Agricultural

Business from Colorado State University, where she also worked two internships that taught her about the feed and nutrition industry. She later went on to receive a Master of Science in Equine/Monogastric nutrition at the University of Maryland. She then returned to Colorado where she received her Doctorate in Ruminant Nutrition.

In addition, Dr. Swyers started Grassland Nutrition Consulting where she offers nutritional work for cow-calf, feed yard, and equine among other services. Dr. Swyers has shown true leadership in her industry and community.

On behalf of the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I extend my best wishes as Dr. Swyers pursues her future endeavors. Her passion and dedication to the agricultural industry makes her more than worthy of this distinct recognition. Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize Dr. Kelcey Swyers for her accomplishments.

**IN HONOR OF ROBERTA SANDLER**

**HON. DONALD NORCROSS**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 3, 2015*

Mr. NORCROSS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Roberta Sandler a New Jersey native who is celebrating her 100th birthday on December 7, 2015.

Roberta was born on December 7, 1915, and was one of nine children. She was born and raised in Camden, New Jersey and moved to Brooklyn to raise her three children, Marvin, Paul and Lynn, along with her husband Max. After her husband's death Roberta went to work to support her family. After her time in New York, she moved back to the state she loved and has been a resident of Cherry Hill for the last 35 years.

Age does not seem to affect Ms. Sandler, she still exercises every day; does all her own cooking and cleaning; and as a loving matriarch, insists on cooking at all family gatherings. She stays very active in the lives of her family including her 4 granddaughters Meridith, Jodi, Julie, and Jillian and her two great granddaughters Isabel and Andrea. She loves to sing, dance, and continues to keep up with current events.

Mr. Speaker, on this momentous occasion, please join me in wishing Roberta Sandler a happy and joyous 100th birthday.

**VOTE EXPLANATION ON H.R. 8, THE NORTH AMERICAN ENERGY SECURITY AND INFRASTRUCTURE ACT**

**HON. ANN M. KUSTER**

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 3, 2015*

Ms. KUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I wish to clarify my position on a vote cast on December 3, 2015. The vote was on passage of H.R. 8, the North American Energy Security and Infrastructure Act.

H.R. 8 contains a number of provisions that would negatively impact the environment and undermine our nation's ability to move away from fossil fuels and proactively combat climate change. It would undermine previously

enacted initiatives to modernize our energy infrastructure and increase our energy efficiency capacity.

Furthermore, H.R. 8 includes unnecessary provisions that would expand FERC's authority to approve natural gas pipeline applications within 90 days—effectively stifling public comment opportunities, regardless of the complexity of the pipeline project.

This legislation would provide unnecessary handouts to the fossil fuel industry at a time when we should be focusing on expanding our nation's clean, renewable energy portfolio.

On Roll Call Vote Number 672, I voted 'aye.' It was my intention to vote "no."

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. ROGER WILLIAMS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 3, 2015*

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call 651 on final passage of S.J. Res. 23, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval of the EPA's CO<sub>2</sub> rule for new power plants, I would have voted aye, which is consistent with my position on this legislation.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF SERGEANT MICHAEL FOX

#### HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 3, 2015*

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today along with Representative KENNEDY to recognize the distinguished career of Police Sergeant Michael Fox on the occasion of his retirement. Sergeant Fox has served in law enforcement for 42 years—35 years of which were spent with the Easton Police Department in Massachusetts.

It was while attending Massasoit Community College and interning at the Brockton Police department that Sergeant Fox first began working at the Massachusetts Correctional Institution—Cedar Junction in Walpole, Massachusetts as the youngest corrections officer in the prison. During his seven years of service there, he interacted with and bore witness to life within prison walls. These experiences imparted on him a desire to serve on the front lines of community protection, and directly assist and mentor the men and women he had met serving in correctional institutions.

In 1974, Sergeant Fox and his wife, Liz, returned to Easton—a picturesque farm town. He became a special police officer in 1978 and, within two years, a full time patrolman. Among his many proud achievements, Sergeant Fox speaks most passionately about his role as one of the first officers in Massachusetts to be part of the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program. For decades, he has educated students and the youth in his community about the reality and dangers of drug abuse, encouraging them to make responsible and informed decisions. As testament to this dedication, Sergeant Fox became part of the team that trained new D.A.R.E. officers across more than 10 states, and served as the president of Massachusetts' D.A.R.E. Officers Association.

Over the years, Sergeant Fox's hard work, commitment, and positive demeanor earned him the title of Detective. Through it all, despite the tenuous and at times saddening cases that crossed his desk, Sergeant Fox remained a dedicated officer who is revered and respected by all in the Easton Police Department and the Town.

Mr. Speaker, it brings us great pride to recognize the retirement of Sergeant Michael Fox. While we are sure that his colleagues at the Easton Police Department will miss him dearly, we wish him nothing but the very best in his future plans. We ask that our colleagues join us in thanking Sergeant Fox for over four decades of service and the tremendous ways in which he has benefited and served our community.

#### HONORING MR. ROBERT YOUNG

#### HON. THOMAS MACARTHUR

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 3, 2015*

Mr. MACARTHUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Robert Joseph Young of New Jersey's Third Congressional District, and to express my deepest appreciation to him and his family.

Mr. Young served our country in the United States Navy. He defended our freedom in Okinawa and the Philippines during World War II. His service to our nation secures his spot as a member of our country's Greatest Generation.

Mr. Young was awarded the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with two Bronze Service Stars, a WWII Victory Medal, the Philippine Liberation Ribbon with one Bronze Star, the Honorable Service Lapel Button WWII, and a Certificate of Recognition for serving the United States during the Cold War.

Mr. Speaker, the people of New Jersey's Third Congressional District are tremendously grateful for Mr. Robert Joseph Young's service to our nation. It is my honor to recognize his achievements before the United States House of Representatives.

#### RECOGNIZING ONE OF MINNESOTA'S FINEST FAMILIES

#### HON. TOM EMMER

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 3, 2015*

Mr. EMMER of Minnesota. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor all Minnesotans, and all Americans, who served in World War II, and I would like to recognize the service of one Minnesota family in particular.

In 1885, Carl Nolte moved to Martin County, Minnesota with his wife Louise. They had twelve children and numerous grandchildren.

Many years after the Nolte family first came to Minnesota; an impressive thirty-six members of the family joined the armed forces and served in World War II.

Fortunately, all thirty-six family members survived the war. However, both Earle Nolte, son of Fred Nolte, and Reinhardt Wessel, son of Amanda Nolte Wessel, were wounded during their service.

It is often said that those who served in World War II belong to the "Greatest Generation." I believe that the heroism and the dedication that this family demonstrated prove this to be true.

I would like to thank this family for their service to our nation and I would also like to wish one of them a very happy birthday. This week, Loren Wessel of Truman, Minnesota, turned ninety-six years old. Happy Birthday Loren.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF THE LATE NAUSEAD LYVELLE STEWART, ESQ

#### HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 3, 2015*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of an extraordinary public servant, the late Nausead Lyvelle Stewart.

Nausead was born August 15, 1931 in Starkville, Mississippi to Tommy James Stewart and Rosa Rogers Stewart. Upon graduation from Oktibbeha County Training High School, she chose to attend Tougaloo College where she graduated with honors in History and Home Economics. Afterwards, she taught high school history for thirteen years in West Point, Mississippi, while acquiring her M.A. degree from Atlanta University.

Nausead entered the University of Mississippi School of Law in 1967 and graduated with honors in May, 1970, where she was the first African American law student to serve on the law journal. In law school, she roomed with Constance Slaughter Harvey, who finished the law school a semester earlier, as the first African American female graduate. Nausead contributed immensely to the legal profession and the pursuit of equal justice for all.

Upon graduation, she, along with her classmate Geraldine Harrington Carnes, was hired by the Lawyers Constitutional Defense Committee (LCDC) to assist the then director, Armand Derfner and Jim Lewis with civil rights litigation.

A year later, when LCDC closed its Mississippi Office, Nausead was hired to work across the street at Anderson, Banks, Nichols and Leventhal to assist with the NAACP Legal Defense Fund (LDF) civil rights litigation. That work consisted primarily of dealing with the post desegregation discriminatory practices in teacher and administrator hiring and retention. Nausead played a primary role in litigating several cases to assure the enforcement of the Uniform Singleton Decree. That Decree provided for the utilization of objective non-racial standards in determining which education professionals would be retained should desegregation result in a loss of positions due to duplication. It also provided a first right of refusal for subsequent new openings to any professionals who were not rehired because of such duplication. Additionally, Nausead worked on other successful employment class actions against large employers in our state. A case law query will reveal some of the great work that she did during this era and continuing in to the 1980s.

In 1975, Nausead became a partner and the firm name was changed to Anderson, Banks, Nichols and Stewart.