

# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

## TRIBUTE TO VITILIGO MONTH

**HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 18, 2015*

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation:

Whereas, Vitiligo is an autoimmune disorder that affects over three million Americans with no known cure to combat this disorder which causes a loss of pigment cells in humans; and

Whereas, Vitiligo Bond, Inc., is an organization that continues to serve those who live with or are affected by the autoimmune disorder Vitiligo, by empowering patients, bringing attention to the disease, and leading the way to find a cure through research; and

Whereas, today millions of Americans gather to raise awareness and funds to assist individuals living with Vitiligo; and

Whereas, this unique organization has given of themselves tirelessly and unconditionally to advocate for our citizens and their families who battle Vitiligo; and

Whereas, Vitiligo Bond and other organizations have vowed to serve our district, state and nation by being the sword and shield for those who live with Vitiligo, encouraging better treatments, funding research and educating people about the disease to help heal families and strengthen our resolve to find a cure; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize the millions of people who are living with Vitiligo and those who are leading the fight for the cure to end Vitiligo; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR. do hereby proclaim the month of June as Vitiligo Awareness Month in the 4th Congressional District.

Proclaimed, this 1st day of June, 2015.

## HONORING THE RANCOCAS VALLEY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL NAVY JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS

**HON. THOMAS MacARTHUR**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 18, 2015*

Mr. MACARTHUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable and distinguished group of young men and women from my district, The Rancocas Valley Regional High School Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (NJROTC). The Rancocas Valley Regional High School NJROTC has been recognized for four consecutive years as a Distinguished Unit, and has received academic honors twice.

The Rancocas Valley Regional High School NJROTC battalion has completed almost 2,600 hours of community service and over 2,000 hours of school support. Led by 18 senior members this group has embraced and lived the Navy core values of Honor, Courage,

and Commitment. Thank you to the Rancocas Valley NJROTC for your hard work and for your dedication to your community.

## A TRIBUTE TO EAGLE SCOUT TREVOR IMM

**HON. DAVID YOUNG**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 18, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Trevor Imm of Boy Scout Troop 208 in Clive, Iowa, for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. The Eagle Scout rank is the highest advancement rank in scouting. Only about five percent of Boy Scouts earn the Eagle Scout Award. The award is a performance-based achievement with high standards that have been well-maintained for more than a century.

Trevor Imm, now a 14-year old freshman at Prairieview School in Waukee, has been a member of the Scouts since he was a Tiger Cub with Pack 181 at Walnut Hills Elementary School in Urbandale. His parents, Mark and Rachael Imm, were his Den Leaders for four years during Cub Scouts. After earning the Arrow of Light Award, the highest award as a Webelos Scout, Trevor crossed over to Boy Scouts with Troop 208 in Clive, Iowa, where his Dad joined him as an Assistant Scoutmaster. Trevor has served in several leadership roles for the Troop and was elected by his fellow Scouts in Troop 208 to the Order of the Arrow, where he became a Brotherhood Member with the Mitigwa Lodge.

To earn the Eagle Scout rank, Trevor was required to pass specific tests that are organized by objectives and merit badges, and complete an Eagle Project to benefit the community. Trevor's Eagle Project was centered around Ashworth Road Baptist Church in West Des Moines. His plans included remodeling their "For Kid's Sake Foster Family Clothing Closet." Trevor organized the remodel so that it included a fresh coat of colorful paint, new clear bins for a more organized system of storing and displaying items, the installation of new wall shelving for donated shoes, and the construction of freestanding shelves for jeans. He even led the creation of a safe play area for young children to play while parents shop.

Mr. Speaker, the example set by this young man and his family in serving their community demonstrates the rewards of hard work, dedication, and perseverance. I am honored to represent Trevor and his family in the United States Congress. I know that all of my colleagues in the House will join me in congratulating him on reaching the rank of Eagle Scout, and I wish him continued success in his future education and career.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. SCOTT PERRY**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 18, 2015*

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, on May 14, 2015, I inadvertently voted "nay" on Roll Call 232. I intended to vote "aye". This amendment, offered by Chairman McCAUL of Texas, would include counterterrorism and border security activities in the list of preferred applications which the Department of Defense considers when transferring excess property to other federal agencies. This is a strong amendment, and I want the RECORD to reflect my support of it.

## TRIBUTE TO MS. WINIFRED PIERCE

**HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 18, 2015*

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation:

Whereas, thirty-four years ago a virtuous woman of God accepted her calling to serve as a teacher and professional educator; and

Whereas, Ms. Winifred L. Pierce has enhanced the academic curriculum of Public Schools in North Carolina, Texas and Georgia, and has increased the goodwill of the schools in my district in Gwinnett and DeKalb Counties. Her work resonates throughout the community and she has created a legacy for students through scholarships and servitude; and

Whereas, this phenomenal woman has shared her time and talents as a friend, a fearless leader and a servant to ensure that all students receive the best education and skills to become outstanding leaders of our communities and nation; and

Whereas, Ms. Winifred L. Pierce is a cornerstone in our community who has enhanced the lives of thousands for the betterment of my District and our Nation; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize Ms. Winifred L. Pierce on her retirement and to wish her well in her new endeavors; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR. do hereby proclaim May 23, 2015 as Ms. Winifred L. Pierce Day in the 4th Congressional District.

Proclaimed, this 23rd day of May, 2015.

## RECOGNIZING THE LEADERSHIP OF TONY FRANSETTA

**HON. ALAN GRAYSON**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 18, 2015*

Mr. GRAYSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Tony Fransetta for a lifetime of

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service and leadership. Tony was born in Kimball, West Virginia. He served in the U.S. Navy for four years earning the United Nations Service Medal, Korean Service Medal, and the Good Conduct Ribbon.

Tony began working for Ford Motor Company in 1956, and stayed with the company until his retirement in 1990. During his employment with Ford Motor Company, Tony represented 15,000 employees in contract negotiations and chaired programs involving quality control, employee involvement, insurance benefits, drug treatment, and employee education. Tony also co-chaired a national joint mortality study on cancer and heart disease in the industrial workplace that was published in professional journals.

Since his retirement, Tony has served on several advisory councils for hospitals and health networks such as Kaiser Health Foundation, Southwest General Hospital, Wellington Regional Medical Center, and the Regional Medicare Advisory Council for Southeast Florida.

Currently, Tony serves as the President of the Florida Alliance for Retired Americans, an advocacy group for working and retired Americans with over 200,000 members. Tony is also the Chairman for the area Auto Retiree Council, U.A.W. Florida Retiree C.A.P., representing 26,000 retirees in Florida, Vice President of the Executive Board for Florida AFL-CIO, and General Policy Board Member for the National Alliance for Retired Americans.

In 2005, Tony was appointed as a delegate to the White House Conference on Aging (WHCOA). In 2011, Tony received the Alliance for Retired Americans President's Award. The Award read, "presented to Tony Fransetta, President, Florida Alliance for Retired Americans, for his lifetime of public service on behalf of older Americans and for guiding and growing the Alliance for Retired Americans".

Tony was happily married to his wife, Lena, for 49 years until she passed away in 2008. Together, they raised two beautiful daughters and have five grandchildren.

I am honored to recognize Tony Fransetta for his leadership and service to his community.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. DIANE BLACK

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 18, 2015*

Mrs. BLACK. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call #233 for passage of Rohrabacher Amendment #51, Roll Call #234 for passage of Lamborn Amendment #312, Roll Call #235 for passage of Blumenauer Amendment #246, Roll Call #236 for passage of Lucas Amendment #119, Roll Call #237 for passage of Nadler Amendment #272, Roll Call #238 for passage of the Democrat Motion to Recommit, and Roll Call #239 for final passage of H.R. 1735 which took place Friday, May 15, 2015, I am not recorded because I was unavoidably detained.

Had I been present, I would have voted Aye on Roll Call #233, the Rohrabacher Amendment #51, on Roll Call #234, the Lamborn Amendment #312, on Roll Call #236, the Lucas Amendment #119, and on Roll Call #239 for final passage of H.R. 1735. I would

have voted Nay on Roll Call #235, the Blumenauer Amendment #246, on Roll Call #237, the Nadler Amendment #272, and on Roll Call #238 against the Motion to Recommit.

#### HONORING JARED DILELLO OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

#### HON. THOMAS MacARTHUR

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 18, 2015*

Mr. MACARTHUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable and distinguished gentleman, Mr. Jared Dilello. Mr. Dilello has been employed by the United States Postal Service for the past two years.

On November 21, 2014 Mr. Dilello was working on his normal route in Willingboro, NJ. Mr. Dilello found that one of his customers was unconscious on the ground next to a vehicle along the route. With the assistance of the 911 operator, Mr. Dilello was able to revive the gentleman and extend his life. Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank Mr. Dilello for his hard work and congratulate him for his dedication to the community.

#### TRIBUTE TO MRS. KATRICE WALKER

#### HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 18, 2015*

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation:

Whereas, in the Fourth Congressional District of Georgia, there are many individuals who are called upon to contribute to the needs of our community through leadership and service; and

Whereas, Mrs. Katrice Stephenson Walker has answered that call by giving of herself as a secretary at Dunaire Elementary School, and as a beloved wife, daughter and friend; and

Whereas, Mrs. Walker has been chosen as the 2015 Educational Support Professional of the Year, representing Dunaire Elementary School; and

Whereas, this phenomenal woman has shared her time and talents for the betterment of our community and our nation through her tireless works, unyielding support and words of encouragement; and

Whereas, Mrs. Walker is a virtuous woman, a courageous woman and a fearless leader who has shared her vision, talents and passion to help ensure that our children receive the support and education that is relevant not only for today, but well into the future, because she truly understands that our children are the future; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize Mrs. Katrice Stephenson Walker for her leadership and service for our District and in recognition of this singular honor as the 2015 Educational Support Professional of the Year at Dunaire Elementary School; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR., do hereby proclaim May

6, 2015 as Mrs. Katrice Stephenson Walker Day in the 4th Congressional District.

Proclaimed, this 6th day of May, 2015.

#### JOE KECK TRIBUTE

#### HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 18, 2015*

Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Mr. Joe Keck. As the director of the Small Business Development Center in Southwest Colorado, Mr. Keck has played a vital role in enhancing the lives of the citizens in the Four Corners region.

A graduate of Fort Lewis College, Mr. Keck has been an inspiring and impactful force to the small business community of Southwest Colorado since 1975. Joe assisted the Ute Mountain Ute and Southern Ute Indian Tribes in a planning and economic advisory capacity before becoming a small business owner himself in 1993. Today, he and his wife carry on that tradition as joint-owners of Susie's Hallmark in Cortez. By providing counseling, training and other program services tailored to the individual needs of small businesses, Joe has helped many businesses manage the uneasiness of the startup phase so that they may then grow and prosper.

A tireless and dedicated pillar of the community, Mr. Keck's role as a public servant spans across multiple organizations. Including a lengthy stint of eight years of service on the Cortez City Council, Joe has sat on the Colorado Aeronautical Board and Region 9 Economic Development District Board. To ensure fair representation of Western Colorado in the legislature, he has been an active member of Club 20 and worked vigorously as a member of its board of directors.

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Keck's selfless work and dedication to serving his community is truly to be admired. I stand with the residents of Southwest Colorado in thanking Joe and congratulating him on a remarkable career of public service. I'm honored to know Joe and even though he is retiring from his post as the director of SBDC, he leaves with us an enriched Southwestern community situated for a successful future.

#### A TRIBUTE TO EAGLE SCOUT MASON JEFFRIES

#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 18, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Mason Jeffries of Boy Scout Troop 208 in Clive, Iowa, for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. The Eagle Scout rank is the highest advancement rank in scouting. Only about five percent of Boy Scouts earn the Eagle Scout Award. The award is a performance-based achievement with high standards that have been well-maintained for more than a century.

Mason joined Cub Scout Pack 181 in 2007 as a first grader at Walnut Hills Elementary School in Urbandale. He became the Pack's Top Popcorn Salesman for four consecutive