

# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

## HONORING THE PERMIAN BASIN HONOR FLIGHT

### HON. K. MICHAEL CONAWAY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 1, 2015

Mr. CONAWAY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the 82 Veterans from West Texas who will be visiting our Washington, D.C. this week, sponsored by the Permian Basin Honor Flight. On behalf of a grateful state and nation, we welcome these heroes to the nation's capital.

The Veterans on this Honor Flight are: Clinton Adams, James Barbee, Johnny Barbee, Jerry Barker, Mike Barker, Emil Baker, Louie Bramley, Ewel Butler, Robert Caldwell, Oscar Campbell, Thomas Chandler, James Clark, Billy Cobb, Bert Cornelius, Gordon Cornelius, D.W. Day, David Dixon, Ruth Eaton, Reymundo Falcon, Othall Ike Fitzgerald, Jerry Flippin, Donothan Flourney, Ellis Fulton, Richard Galloway, Hector Garcia, Oscar Gonzales, Sipriano Gonzales, Andrew Greenfield, Martin Hammer, Wilbur Harkness III, Wilbur Harkness, Joshua Hernandez, Leonardo Hernandez, Andres Hernandez, Elyceo Herrera, Jimmy Herrera, Manuel Herrera, Ruben Herrera, Eugene Hirt, Ezra Holliman, Franklin Hughes, James Ingram, Bobby Jumper, Demencio Luna, Demencio Luna, Catarino Martinez, Pedro Martinez, Windord McClure, Jerry McNeese, James Merriman, Roy Miller, Ronnie Millsap, Linvel Mosby, Lloyd Munoz, Sylvia Munoz, Ellis Norwood, Maria Pauls, Charles Pinkerton, Dwayne Poindexter, Clifford Ray, William Reed, Rosendo Reyes, Joseph Rhode, Barney Rodriguez, Benny Rogers, Darrell Sanders, Frank Sandoval, Donald Schwartz, George Schwartz, Ernest Showalter, Harold Stallcup, Steven Stone, Frank Taylor, John Urban, Randy Vest, Robert Vest, Harry Washam, Val Wilcox, Charles Wolf, James Woods, James Woodwick, and Woody Wayne.

Mr. Speaker, I am humbled to have the opportunity to meet these brave men and women who exemplify the best of our country. Their sacrifice and commitment to duty to our nation can never be fully repaid, and I hope that when they visit our nation's monuments in Washington, D.C., the gratitude and respect we have for them will truly be reflected.

Colleagues, please join me in thanking these veterans and their families for their exemplary dedication and service to this great nation. I would also like to extend a special thank you to the local communities, all of the volunteers, and Mr. Jeremy West and Mr. John West for their extensive work in organizing this Honor Flight. This trip would not have been possible without all the financial and emotional support of the people who have put in so much hard work and personal time to make sure this trip could be possible.

## HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF MR. HERSCHELL E. WOLFE

### HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 1, 2015

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a dear friend and exemplary public servant, Mr. Hershell E. Wolfe, for his 46 years of dedicated, distinguished, and admirable service to our nation. Mr. Wolfe retires on May 29, 2015, leaving behind a legacy of excellence and devotion to the United States Army and the Federal government.

Mr. Wolfe entered the Senior Executive Service following a 33-year career in the United States Army. From 1997 to 2002, Colonel Wolfe served as the Assistant Chief, Medical Service Corps and Consultant to the Army Surgeon General for Environmental Science and Engineering. In this capacity he managed the Army careers of several hundred Preventive Medicine officers and provided professional consultation to the Army Surgeon General, the Army Medical Department, the Army Staff, Department of Defense, other military departments and Federal agencies. In 2002, Mr. Wolfe became the Special Assistant for Environment, Safety and Occupational Health, and served as the principal advisor and provided senior staff leadership on all environmental, safety, occupational and environmental health issues for nearly two years.

In his final assignment, Mr. Wolfe served as the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Environment, Safety and Occupational Health. His responsibilities spanned a global organization that includes a \$1.5 billion annual environmental program and oversight for the safety and occupational health of over 1.2 million Soldiers and Army Civilian employees worldwide. Mr. Wolfe has provided exceptional leadership for all Army sustainability, environment, natural resources, safety and occupational health programs over the past eleven years.

Mr. Wolfe earned a B.S. from East Tennessee State University and a Masters of Public Health in Occupational Health and Industrial Hygiene from the University of Texas. His recognitions are many, but a few are the Defense Meritorious Service Medal and the Legion of Merit, Army and Defense Staff Badges, the Order of Military Medical Merit, the "A" prefix awarded by the Army Medical Department, and Adjunct Assistant Professor for Preventive Medicine and Biometrics at the Department of Defense Uniform Services University of Health Sciences. Mr. Wolfe authored and established Department of Defense Instruction 1010.15, Smoke-Free Workplace and is a plank holder of the Army's health hazard assessment program.

Mr. Wolfe can certainly reflect on his 46 years of service with pride and satisfaction. I want to commend Mr. Wolfe for his service and dedication to our Armed Services and our nation. I wish the very best as he starts a new

journey and exceptional chapter of his life. I wish him and his wife Lois all the best in their much-deserved retirement.

### MRS. SYBIL MERVIS

### HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 1, 2015

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge Mrs. Sybil Mervis of Danville, IL, for being named regional Outstanding Philanthropist for 2015.

Noted for her civic involvement and charitable activities by the Association of Fundraising Professionals of East Central Illinois, Sybil Mervis has achieved an enviable record of philanthropy, especially in the areas of education, art, and faith.

I salute Sybil Mervis, who has given so much to her hometown, and thank her for her philanthropy.

## RECOGNIZING DR. FARUK KOREISHI FOR RETIREMENT AFTER 40 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE

### HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 1, 2015

Mr. HIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I stand before you today to recognize and congratulate Dr. Faruk Koreishi on his retirement after serving 40 years with the Retina Consultants of Western New York. Dr. Koreishi is the founder of the Retina Consultants of Western New York and has dedicated his career to not only bringing vitally important vitreoretinal surgery to Western New York but also to serving his community.

Dr. Koreishi was the very first physician in the Western New York area who was dedicated to the practice of vitreoretinal surgery. This type of surgery focuses on the vitreous fluid which fills the eye. Among his many accomplishments is the fact that he performed vision-saving surgery on then-Buffalo Mayor Anthony Masiello.

While working to help those suffering from severe vision impairments Dr. Koreishi was also an active and engaged member of his community. He served on the board of the Islamic Society of the Niagara Frontier, the Family Justice Center, and the Coalition for the Advancement of Muslim Women. He has also been a large supporter of various other organizations such as the Western New York Food Bank, Hospice of Buffalo, Meals on Wheels, the Salvation Army, and the public television station WNED.

Mr. Speaker, thank you for allowing me a few moments to honor and recognize Dr. Faruk Koreishi. I ask that my colleagues join

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me congratulating Dr. Koreishi on an accomplished career, and to commend him for the exemplary work he has done to enrich the communities of Western New York.

HONORING THE SUCCESS OF  
DANIEL K. CHURCH

HON. SUZAN K. DELBENE

OF WASHINGTON  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 1, 2015*

Ms. DELBENE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Daniel K. Church, President of Bastyr University, who will be retiring from his position on June 30, 2015.

Building on the work of the University's founders and his predecessors, Dr. Church has led Bastyr University to preeminence in the field of natural medicine. The school is now respected worldwide as one of the leading academic centers for the natural arts and sciences.

Over his ten-year tenure as President, the University has grown to become one of the most trusted resources for understandable, useful and evidence-based information on healthy living. It is widely regarded for excellence in providing innovative academic programs that are deeply rooted in the historical teachings of natural health, while also incorporating the most up-to-date data to address human health.

I greatly admire Dr. Church for his accomplishments, including creating nine new accredited degree programs, supporting the achievement of the United Nations Millennium Development Goals, and contributing to the 24 percent growth of the Bastyr student body, among many others.

Dr. Church has embodied the very best attributes of a respected leader and has led the University to a position where it has never been stronger and more capable of fulfilling its mission. He will truly be missed.

I want to congratulate Dr. Church on his remarkable achievements and successful tenure, and I thank him for his commitment to health and education.

TRADE AND MANUFACTURING IN  
OHIO

HON. PATRICK J. TIBERI

OF OHIO  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 1, 2015*

Mr. TIBERI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize our American manufacturers. As we work to expand American manufacturing by knocking down barriers so American exporters can sell their products all over the world while creating jobs here at home—manufacturers are taking a beating. Not because jobs are disappearing—they aren't—but because so many people, including members of this Chamber, are spreading outright lies about the impact of American trade agreements.

One company with plants in my home state of Ohio continues to be cited as a company that's virtually shuttered their American plants because of NAFTA. It's astounding because it's not true. Twenty-two thousand Whirlpool workers, including 15,000 manufacturing em-

ployees—makers of iconic brands like Whirlpool, Maytag, KitchenAid, Jenn-Air, and Glad-iator—are likely shocked to hear these words because not only are they headquartered in Michigan, more than 80 percent of Whirlpool's products sold in the United States are made in the United States. I recently heard one opponent of trade say on this Floor that Maytag washers are being imported from Mexico. In reality Maytag builds almost all of their washers sold in the U.S. right in my home state of Ohio. They come from Ohio communities like Clyde, Marion, Greenville, Ottawa, and Findlay, not to mention from Whirlpool plants in Tennessee, Oklahoma and Iowa. It's not just Whirlpool employees who benefit; the company has 4,900 direct and indirect U.S. suppliers, supporting even more American jobs.

Not only does Whirlpool maintain a strong U.S. manufacturing presence, they've actively been reshoring—bringing manufacturing jobs back to America. Shortly after acquiring and restructuring Maytag 10 years ago, Whirlpool began repatriating laundry manufacturing from Germany and Mexico to their Clyde, Ohio plant—the world's largest laundry facility. Since then, they also have brought back hand mixer manufacturing from China and commercial laundry production from Mexico, creating approximately 500 new jobs in the process, not to mention increasing U.S. exports.

Don't believe the hyperbole . . . believe the numbers. One in five jobs in Ohio depends on trade. Trade-related jobs pay 18 percent more than non-trade jobs. With new trade agreements, barriers will be removed so Whirlpool and other manufacturers have the opportunity to sell their American-made products overseas. Let's spread the truth . . . trade supports American jobs and increased trade will build a healthier American economy.

HONORING DR. JUDY BONNER AND  
HER COMMITMENT TO ALABAMA  
GIRLS STATE

HON. BRADLEY BYRNE

OF ALABAMA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 1, 2015*

Mr. BYRNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Judy Bonner, President of the University of Alabama, for her leadership and commitment to the Alabama Girls State program. Throughout her career, Dr. Bonner has encouraged young women to set high goals and never give up on their dreams.

As a child, her father would cut out articles from newspapers about impressive achievements by women around the world. So from an early age, Dr. Bonner learned to dream beyond the confines of her charming hometown of Camden, Alabama.

In 1964, Dr. Bonner was selected by her school to attend Girls State, which was held at Huntingdon College in Montgomery. There she made many friends and learned a great deal about how our state and local governments work. While many things inspired Dr. Bonner over the years, Alabama Girls State certainly made a big impression.

Dr. Bonner went on to serve as President of the Future Homemakers of America, was selected as "Most Intelligent" in the Who's Who of her senior class, and served as editor-in-chief of her high school newspaper, The Tiger

Rag. She received her Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees from The University of Alabama and her doctorate from Ohio State University.

Girls State helped motivate Dr. Bonner to do great things in her life and to have a positive impact on her community and state. It is only fitting that Dr. Bonner would go on to become the first female President of the University of Alabama and the first female President from a school in the Southeastern Conference.

Under her leadership, Dr. Bonner has guided The University of Alabama through record-breaking growth and expansion. University of Alabama System Chancellor Dr. Robert E. Witt is quoted as saying, "I can say firsthand that she is one of the most intelligent, well-focused and forward thinking academic administrators in the nation."

During her tenure at Alabama, Dr. Bonner has continued to play a key role in the Alabama Girls State program. She successfully recruited the American Legion Auxiliary's Girls State program to the campus of the University of Alabama in 2013. This year, Dr. Bonner will once again have a key impact on the over 350 young women taking part in the Girls State program.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud Dr. Bonner for her continued commitment to inspiring and motivating young women in Alabama and across the United States to reach beyond ordinary expectations and never give up on their dreams.

HONORING THE PASSING OF MR.  
SEBASTIAN J. BRUSCA

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 1, 2015*

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the passing of Mr. Sebastian J. Brusca, of Williamsburg, VA. Mr. Brusca passed away peacefully on May 2, 2015 where he joins his wife, Antoinette. He is survived by his four children: Rita Brusca Schmidt, Salvatore Brusca, Carol Panholzer, and James Brusca, and his four grandsons: J.R. Craig, Justin Panholzer, and Matthew Brusca. Mr. Brusca was a loving father, grandfather, and family man. Mr. Brusca was also a loyal patriot who served in the Marine Corp during WWII and was an active member in his local DAV, VFW, and the Young at Heart. Mr. Brusca will be dearly missed by his fellow veterans as well as his family and friends.

HONORING LA GRANGE POLICE  
SERGEANT MARGE KIELCZYNSKI  
FOR 36 YEARS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

HON. DANIEL LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 1, 2015*

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor La Grange Police Sergeant Marge Kielczynski, who is retiring from the La Grange Police Department after 36 years in law enforcement.

Sergeant Kielczynski, affectionately known as "Sarge Marge," received her Bachelor's