

Program (FEHBP). Restricting access to this constitutionally protected right sets women working for the federal government apart as a separate class.

FEHBP provides health insurance to federal employees and their dependents. Like employees in the private sector, federal employees contribute to the cost of their health insurance through co-pays and deductibles. Unlike other employees in the private sector, however, federal employees are unable to access health plans that cover abortion.

Since 1983, Congress has adopted language through the Financial Services Appropriations bill to eliminate abortion coverage from FEHBP except in narrow circumstances when the pregnancy would endanger the woman's life or the pregnancy resulted from rape or incest. I rise in support of this amendment because it is time to end this prohibition.

Every woman in the United States is entitled to access the constitutionally-protected full range of pregnancy-related care, including abortion. No employer—including the federal government—should be allowed to dictate how an employee uses health care coverage or interfere in the benefits an employee chooses to access. Congress should respect the health care decisions of each federal employee and treat women with the dignity and compassion they rightly deserve.

I urge my colleagues to support this important amendment to protect the rights of federal employees and their right to access constitutionally-protected medical services. For too long, this body has interfered with the difficult decisions women should make with their families, their doctors and whomever they choose. It's time that Congress lifts this ban and all bans on abortion coverage not just in FEHBP.

TRIBUTE TO DAWN FOUNTAIN

HON. DAVID W. JOLLY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. JOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Dawn Fountain for the care and kindness she provides to victims of domestic violence.

Ms. Fountain is a founder of Purses and Love, a non-profit organization in aid of the victims of domestic violence; but first and foremost, she is also a survivor. Alongside her mother and other volunteers, she helps the victims and their children by providing them with essential items when they arrive at shelters after leaving their home. The sad reality exists that these victims often come to shelters empty-handed, as many have to flee their homes in a hurry. Ms. Fountain provides, among other things, clothing, kids' toys and medical supplies for the victims of abuse.

Mr. Speaker, I want to recognize Ms. Fountain for the work she does for these survivors. I thank her for her efforts and I ask that this body join me in recognizing her for all that she provides to our community.

IN RECOGNITION OF EMILY
RICHARDS

HON. PATRICK J. TIBERI

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. TIBERI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Emily Richards of Ohio Northern University for winning the Women's 800-Meter Run in the NCAA Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

An achievement such as this certainly deserves recognition. The National Collegiate Athletic Association has enabled talented teams and individuals to earn national titles since its founding in 1906. Throughout this time, the champions of NCAA national level competitions have represented the highest achieving and most talented athletes in the country. Each year these elite competitors join the ranks of those who embody the nation's proud history of athletic success.

Emily's victory caps a tremendous season. This sort of achievement is earned only through many hours of practice, perspiration and hard work. She has set a new standard for future athletes to reach. Everyone at Ohio Northern University can be extremely proud of her performance.

On behalf of the citizens of Ohio's 12th Congressional District, I congratulate Emily Richards on her National Championship. I wish her continued success in both her athletic and academic endeavors.

2016 CONGRESSIONAL ART COMPETITION

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, on June 23, the House of Representatives hosted the reception for the 2016 Congressional Art Competition. I was honored to serve as the Republican co-chair for the competition, alongside Congresswoman KYRSTEN SINEMA of Arizona.

For the past 34 years, the Congressional Art Competition has inspired and encouraged young artists around the country. The competition was very personal to me. With my mother being an artist, I understand how important it is to give proper recognition to these talents who are making a difference in society through arts.

I was grateful to invite local artist Yvonne Kinney, from North Augusta, to Washington to speak to the students about her work and highlight the importance of giving back to your community.

The winner from the Second District was Mary Afuldish from Cardinal Newman High School in the Midlands. I look forward to seeing her winning piece, America the Beautiful, every day for the next year as it hangs in the Cannon tunnel. I am humbled to represent all of the young talent in the Second Congressional District.

In conclusion, God Bless Our Troops and may the President by his actions never forget

September 11th in the Global War on Terrorism.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Speaker, on July 6, 2016, I was unavoidably detained and missed one vote. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye" on Roll Call No. 368.

DECODING DYSLEXIA GROUP VISITS CAPITOL HILL

HON. DAVID SCHWEIKERT

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. SCHWEIKERT. Mr. Speaker, on July 11 through 13th, 2016 youth leaders and families from Decoding Dyslexia will be hosting and participating in programs on Capitol Hill to raise awareness, encouraging our nation to #SayDyslexia. Congress extends a warm welcome.

POLICE SERGEANT TERESA DOUGHERTY

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Federal Heights Police Sergeant Teresa (Terry) Dougherty for her decades of service to the City of Federal Heights, Colorado. For over thirty years, Sergeant Dougherty has been active within the community and the police department serving constituents of Federal Heights.

Sergeant Dougherty started her career in 1985 in the dispatch center within the Federal Heights Police Department. From there she served in various parts of the department including service in records and code enforcement. She worked her way up to a patrol officer and detective, finally ending a stellar career at her current rank of Sergeant. The police chief of Federal Heights credits her with a rare ability to bring calmness to chaos in a variety of circumstances. Sergeant Dougherty continuously brought passion to her job and made a personal investment in the employees within the police department. Her hard work and dedication each and every day to making the community of Federal Heights a great place to live and work demonstrate her exemplary work as a police officer in Federal Heights.

I extend my deepest thanks to Sergeant Dougherty for her service to the community. Thank you for your continuous dedication to serving the people and the City of Federal Heights, Colorado.

CONGRATS TO EDINA RUGBY
CHAMPS**HON. ERIK PAULSEN**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, I want to congratulate the Edina Rugby Football Club for winning their fifth consecutive Minnesota High School State Championship.

The Hornets capped off their perfect season by defeating Minnetonka in the state finals by a score of 22–10. Tries scored by Nick Bloom, Evan Holm, and Will Hoff, combined with a suffocating defensive effort, helped carry the Edina side to victory. Theo Madison added to the scoring as well, contributing two conversion kicks and a penalty kick. It was truly a team effort and all of the Edina players should be proud of their accomplishment.

Mr. Speaker, it is not often that a team can sustain success the way the Edina Rugby Football Club has over the past five seasons, but their achievement is a testament to the dedication of both Coach Mark Dalton and all of his players.

Balancing school and athletics is not an easy task and these student athletes work hard in the classroom and continually strive to improve their craft. The families, teachers, friends, and the entire community are very proud of the Edina Rugby Football Club. Way to go Hornets.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE COLUMBUS
ACADEMY BOYS TRACK AND
FIELD TEAM**HON. PATRICK J. TIBERI**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. TIBERI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Columbus Academy for winning the Boys 4 × 200 Meter Relay at the Division III Ohio High School Track and Field State Championship.

For over a century, the Ohio High School Athletic Association has provided Ohio's finest student athletes with the opportunity to earn a state championship. Each year young men and women spend countless hours practicing and training in an effort to join the ranks of Ohio's elite athletes. Although many strive to earn the title of state champion, only a select few will achieve this honor.

Columbus Academy's victory caps a tremendous season. This sort of achievement stands as a testament to their hard work. Logan Baker, Michael Kusi, Kevin Boyce, and Jerome Buckner have set a new standard for future athletes to reach. Everyone at Columbus Academy can be extremely proud of their performance.

On behalf of the citizens of Ohio's 12th Congressional District, I congratulate Columbus Academy Boys Track and Field on their state championship. I wish their team continued success in their future athletic endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO CHRISTOPHER
FOGARTY**HON. DAVID W. JOLLY**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. JOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Christopher Fogarty for his service to Pinellas County as a Sunstar Paramedic.

Mr. Fogarty has recently received the 2016 Commissioner Morroni Award of Excellence in EMS at the 21st annual Appreciation Luncheon for Emergency Personnel. Mr. Fogarty has worked with Sunstar Paramedics for 11 years and has been an emergency medical technician and a paramedic since 2012.

Mr. Fogarty's recent actions won him this prestigious award when he saved the life of a Clearwater resident who went into cardiac arrest in his home. Thanks to Mr. Fogarty's decisive thinking and years of medical experience the resident's rare heart condition was quickly identified and the man's life was saved.

Mr. Speaker, I want to recognize Christopher Fogarty's service and dedication to Pinellas County. He has saved one citizen, and I am sure he will save many more. I ask that this body join me in recognizing the actions of Mr. Fogarty for Pinellas County.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BILL FOSTER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. FOSTER. Mr. Speaker, during Roll Call Vote number 370 on H.R. 5485, I mistakenly recorded my vote as no when I should have voted yes.

WAYZATA BOYS TRACK AND
FIELD TEAM WIN**HON. ERIK PAULSEN**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Wayzata High School Boys Track and Field team on winning their second consecutive Minnesota State championship.

The Trojans defended their title led by first place finishes by Jaret Carpenter in both the sixteen-hundred meter and thirty-two-hundred meter races, and strong performances from the relay teams. Wayzata used a complete team effort to win the title and I commend them for their accomplishments.

These athletes spend countless hours practicing to reach their personal bests. They understand the value of teamwork and sportsmanship to not only become better athletes and teammates, but better students, members of the community, and future leaders.

In addition, they manage their time to excel at school, as well as fulfill and exceed family and social obligations.

Mr. Speaker, the families, teachers, friends, and our entire community are very proud of these high school champs. Congratulations to the Wayzata High School Boys Track and Field team on a job well done.

DAVID HILLER

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud David Hiller who is retiring as the Executive Director of the Colorado Energy Research Collaboratory after years of service to the renewable energy industry in Colorado.

The Colorado Energy Research Collaboratory is a research consortium among four leading research institutions—University of Colorado Boulder, Colorado School of Mines, Colorado State University, and the National Renewable Energy Laboratory. Through Mr. Hiller's leadership, the Collaboratory worked with industry partners, public agencies, and other universities and colleges to develop and advance the commercialization of renewable energy technologies, energy management systems, and energy efficiency technologies. These efforts have supported tremendous economic growth in Colorado and the nation with renewable energy industries. They educate our nation's finest energy researchers, technicians, and workforce.

Mr. Hiller started his career in 1991 as a partner at the Don, Hiller & Galleher, P.C. law firm. He served in this position for twelve years and then moved to public service. In 2005, Mr. Hiller began working for then-Senator Ken Salazar as his State Issues Counsel. In 2007, Mr. Hiller became Executive Director of the Colorado Energy Research Collaboratory and focused on advanced clean energy in biofuels, solar and wind technologies. The Collaboratory also expanded research to include energy systems integration and carbon management cutting across renewable and traditional energy technologies. Through his time at the Collaboratory, Mr. Hiller continuously brought his passion, hard work and dedication each and every day to growing the renewable energy community and we will forever be grateful.

I extend my deepest thanks to David Hiller for his service to the renewable energy community and wish him all the best in his future endeavors. I thank him for his continuous dedication to serving the people and the State of Colorado.

TRIBUTE TO JAMES PREVITERA

HON. DAVID W. JOLLY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. JOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize James Previtera, St. Petersburg Assistant Chief of Police.

Mr. Previtera is a St. Petersburg native and recently joined the local law enforcement division. In 1983, as a senior in high school, he went on a ride-along with local law enforcement, sparking his passion for police work. Subsequently he joined the force and in 1986 he became a deputy for the Pinellas County Sheriff's Department where he would serve for 11 years.

In 1997, Mr. Previtera left the Sheriff's Office and joined the U.S. Secret Service. He