

provide medical support in response to peacetime or wartime missions at the state or federal level.

It is an honor to recognize Lieutenant Colonel Hudock-Welch for her distinguished military career. Her decades of service are a tremendous contribution to the defense and welfare of our nation. I wish her all the best. May she find fulfillment in her retirement.

REMEMBERING LINDA DUPREE

HON. KEVIN YODER

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Mr. YODER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember the life of Co-Pastor Linda Dannella Dupree of Kansas City, Kansas. Linda was a lifelong resident of KCK and an example to us all in the 3rd District of Kansas.

Co-Pastor Dupree was born on February 4, 1955 in Kansas City, KS. She would live almost her whole life in Kansas, where she met her husband of 44 years, Alvin T. Dupree, Sr. Together, they raised a large family with many children, including many foster children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

As a missionary and Co-Pastor, she served her church and her community faithfully for many years. Co-Pastor Dupree wore many hats in her different roles in the church, but her goal was always to help others. Her decades of service impacted countless people in Kansas City.

Our community is a better place because of Linda. She will be greatly missed by many, but her legacy lives on in her family and in the lives of those she helped. On behalf of this great body, I commemorate the well-lived life of Linda Dupree and extend my condolences to her entire family, who remain in my thoughts and prayers this week.

RECOGNIZING RON BROWN HIGH SCHOOL'S COMMITMENT TO STEM EDUCATION

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to congratulate the students, parents, and faculty of Ron Brown High School for their commitment to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics enrichment, and for participating in my annual Science and Technology Braintrust.

The teachers at Ron Brown High School are committed to ensuring that our country's youth is exposed to a STEM curriculum, which is paramount to the future of our country. A prevalent theme amongst successful STEM professionals is the curiosity and drive instilled by their teachers at a young age. We must continue to invest in schools that highlight a STEM education, so that all students will have an opportunity to one day be an astrophysicist, doctor, engineer, or a geologist.

Mr. Speaker, Ron Brown High School is a true advocate of STEM education and deserves recognition for its work. With great pride I can say that because of this school's

commitment to STEM education, our country's youth is gaining the skills needed to compete in a rapidly globalizing world.

HONORING SARRAH BUSHARA

HON. ERIK PAULSEN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Sarrah Bushara, a young 18 year old oboist from Eden Prairie, for being selected to Carnegie Hall's National Youth Orchestra—United States of America program.

Sarrah participated in a competitive audition process and was judged on her technical ability, musicianship, passion, and intellectual curiosity along with other musicians her age. After she was selected, Sarrah took part in a three-week residency, which included orchestral rehearsals, musical workshops, and a performance in Carnegie Hall.

After their residency, Sarrah and the rest of the National Youth Orchestra embarked on a European tour in July to perform at concert halls in Amsterdam, Montpellier, Copenhagen, and Prague.

Mr. Speaker, our community is extremely proud of Sarrah; her skills with the oboe earned her a place in this prestigious youth orchestra. I offer her my congratulations on her musical success and I wish her well in her musical endeavors.

COMMEMORATING THE PASSING OF BOB SANTOS

HON. JIM McDERMOTT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to pay tribute to my dear friend Bob Santos, of Seattle, Washington, who passed away at the age of 82 on Saturday, August 27, 2016. Mostly referred to as "Uncle Bob" and unofficial mayor of the International District, Bob fought to improve and preserve the neighborhood for over five decades.

In the late 1960s and 1970s, Mr. Santos joined Larry Gossett, Bernie Whitebear, and Roberto Maestas to form an activist group: "The Gang of Four". Rather than competing for limited resources, the group unified communities of color to fight for equal rights in Seattle.

Robert "Bob" Santos was born in Seattle on February 25, 1934, to parents of Filipino and Tlingit Nation heritage. He became aware of discrimination as a young child. In 1942, his elementary school closed when the majority of his classmates, who were of Japanese descent, were taken to internment camps. He recalled wearing an 'I am Filipino' badge to avoid anti-Japanese violence.

Mr. Santos became involved in activism in 1963, when black activist Walter Hubbard Jr. invited him to join a march supporting open housing.

He later became known for his ties to the International District Improvement Association (Inter*Im). Over the course of three decades, his leadership in the organization helped add

over 1,000 low-income residential units to the neighborhood. His advocacy also fought for the soul of the International District by starting a community produce garden, rehabilitating dilapidated apartment buildings and fending off unwanted developments such as a trash-burning plant and a prison.

He continued to fight fearlessly for equal job opportunities and better educational opportunities for people of color and was arrested six times in the process. In 2005, Partners for Livable Communities awarded the Gang of Four with a Bridge Builders Award for their work for minority populations of King County. In 2006, the Seattle City Council recognized Mr. Santos for his work with Inter*Im.

Mr. Speaker, throughout his decades of advocacy, Mr. Santos never lost his sense of humor or his fondness for karaoke, especially songs by Frank Sinatra and Elvis. I will miss his vigorous spirit and his passion for social justice. He changed the city of Seattle for the better and he did it "his way".

TRIBUTE TO DONNA AND LYLE CROZIER

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Donna and Lyle Crozier on the very special occasion of their 65th wedding anniversary.

Donna and Lyle were married on August 18, 1951 at the Reorganized Church of Latter Day Saints in Centerville, Iowa. The Croziers make their home in Wauke, Iowa. Their lifelong commitment to each other and their two children, four grandchildren, five great grandchildren, and one great, great granddaughter truly embodies Iowa's values. As the years pass, may their love continue to grow even stronger and may they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many more years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this lovely couple on their 65 years of life together and I wish them many more. I know my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

MACKENZIE DUCK WINS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP AT AAU JUNIOR OLYMPICS

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mackenzie Duck of Katy, TX for winning the national championship at the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) Junior Olympics.

Mackenzie and her Track Houston teammates, Nia Reed, Alexa Granderson and Jessica Gordon, raced in the 3,200 meter relay with a time of 9 minutes, 34.70 seconds to win the victorious national championship title. Mackenzie is a junior at Cinco Ranch High School and is a part of the school's cross country team as well.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Mackenzie Duck for her national championship win at the AAU Junior Olympics. We are proud of her for bringing this win home to Katy and wish her luck with her future track and field and cross country career.

A HAPPY DOUBLE TEN DAY TO
THE PEOPLE OF TAIWAN

HON. STEVE KING

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Mr. KING of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, Monday, October 10 is Taiwan's National Day—also known as Double Ten Day. As the House will not be in session that day, I would like to take this opportunity now to offer my early best wishes to the people of Taiwan.

As my colleagues are aware, Taiwan is a both close friend and security partner of the United States. Accordingly, the United States has declared its support for Taiwan's meaningful participation in international organizations where its membership is not possible. One of the organizations in question is the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), which works to secure the development of civil aviation throughout the world.

As a key aviation hub in East Asia, up to 58 million people each year enter, leave, or pass through the Taipei Flight Information Region, and Taiwan is connected to over 100 cities around the world with hundreds of air-passenger and air-freight routes. If an organization is to set the standards and regulations necessary for aviation safety and security, then surely everybody must be at the table. Taiwan's absence neither serves Taiwan, nor the international community.

Mr. Speaker, again, I wish the people of Taiwan a Happy Double Ten Day. I hope we may also celebrate Taiwan's presence at ICAO in Montreal this year as well.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 25TH AN-
NIVERSARY OF SACRAMENTO
STAND DOWN ASSOCIATION

HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Ms. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Sacramento Stand Down Association as they embark on their 25th annual event. As supporters of this organization gather to serve our veteran community, I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring the Sacramento Stand Down Association for their incredible service to the homeless veterans of the Sacramento region.

For over two decades, Sacramento Stand Down has been a vital resource for thousands of homeless veterans in the Sacramento Region. The annual three day event brings together a varied support system of local and federal service providers from around the region where a veteran can reach all of his or her needs in a single visit. Stand Down participants assist homeless veterans with reconnecting to civilian life by providing copies of

essential documentation such as driver's licenses, discharge papers, and military IDs needed to access services. Participants have access to housing organizations, County services, and VA medical health centers.

Sacramento Stand Down has provided a safe and comfortable environment where veterans can connect with other individuals who understand and share their experiences. The resources gathered here at Stand Down are so transformative; many "graduates" of previous years return to support other homeless veterans. This event creates a temporary community that creates long lasting results. The Sacramento region is forever grateful for the Stand Down event and its dedicated organizers.

Mr. Speaker, as the participants and partners of Sacramento Stand Down gather to provide life-altering services, I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring them for their unwavering commitment to homeless veterans in the Sacramento Region.

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF SAND
CREEK COMMUNITY CHURCH

HON. TIM WALBERG

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Mr. WALBERG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the 125th Anniversary of Sand Creek Community Church, a small country church committed to spreading the good news of the gospel.

Located in Lenawee County, Michigan, Sand Creek Community Church is a passionate, close-knit, congregation that meets on Sunday mornings in a one-story, white framed building.

The storied history of the church dates back to 1891, when the Free Will Baptist Church first incorporated in Sand Creek. From 1891 to 1920, the Free Will Baptist group—whose roots traced back to 1854—called the church home. After the building remained empty for a number of years, the second and present congregation was established in 1943. After a letter of organization was circulated through the community, area residents came together to form a new nondenominational church, Sand Creek Community.

Today, the congregation is guided by Pastor Jamie Driskill, who serves alongside his wife Heidi and two children, Elizabeth and Chloe. Pastor Driskill, who also works in the Special Education Department in Sand Creek Schools, previously served as a missionary in Budapest, Hungary with his family.

Throughout the years, Sand Creek Community Church has earned a distinguished reputation for their service to the community. Through the Ladies Aid Society, Vacation Bible School, local charitable donations, and various missionary activities, the church has remained a consistent positive influence in the community.

I wish to extend my deepest congratulations to the present and former members of Sand Creek Community Church on their 125th anniversary.

Although they may appear to be a small country church, Sand Creek Community has been a bright light with great impact that continues to shine in the community. May God

continue to bless and use the ministry of Sand Creek Community Church.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JONAS
ARJES FOR BEING RECOGNIZED
AS THE 2016 PROFESSIONAL ECO-
NOMIC DEVELOPER OF THE
YEAR

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jonas Arjes, the Executive Director of the four-year-old Taney County Partnership. Jonas was recognized as the 2016 Professional Economic Developer of the Year at the Missouri Economic Development Council (MEDC) conference on June 15th.

Jonas started off his career in the restaurant business by managing the Plantation restaurant in Branson in the mid-1990s before going on to own and operate a Schlotzky's Deli franchise from 2000 to 2007. In August 2007, Jonas became a risk and benefits adviser with the Branson insurance firm Akers & Arney, where he worked until 2012. In January 2012, Jonas was named the Executive Director of the Taney County Partnership.

As Executive Director, Jonas is currently leading Branson through a strong reinvestment cycle with more than \$300 million in new investments for 2016. Some of the projects that Jonas has played a critical role in include the Ball Parks of America Baseball Resort for players and coaches from the 10U to the 13U level, the Air Service Development committee which has raised millions of dollars to secure air service to Branson, and Project Bigfoot, a 225-foot free fall tower attraction.

Mr. Speaker, Jonas Arjes is a shining example of the business acumen that makes America the great country it is. I would like to extend my thanks, both personally and on behalf of the 7th District, for his integral role in the economic development of the Branson area. I urge my colleagues to join me as I congratulate Jonas on this well-deserved award.

DAVID WILLIAMS—FINALIST FOR
ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR
AWARD

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate David Williams of Sugar Land, TX for being named a finalist for the EY Entrepreneur of the Year Award for the Gulf Coast Area.

Mr. Williams is the President and CEO of Noble Corporation, an offshore drilling contractor for the oil and gas industry. As a proud Aggie, Williams is a finalist thanks to his hard work and dedication in his industry. This award recognizes outstanding entrepreneurs who demonstrate excellence and extraordinary success in innovation, financial performance and commitment to their business and communities. We are lucky to have Mr. William's talent and dedication help our area remain at