

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. Williams' talent and dedication help our area remain at

the forefront of job-creation, technology and scientific discovery.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations and thank you to David Williams for his innovation, dedication and work with Noble Corporation. Keep up the great work.

RECOGNIZING BLACK ARCHITECT
JULIAN ABELE AND THE NAMING
OF ABELE QUAD AT DUKE
UNIVERSITY

HON. G.K. BUTTERFIELD

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Mr. BUTTERFIELD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the contributions of Mr. Julian Abele, the African American architect of Duke University's original campus, located in Durham, North Carolina.

In recognition of Julian Abele's role at Duke University, a ceremony will be held on Friday, September 30, 2016 to celebrate the naming of the main quadrangle on West Campus as Abele Quad. In 2015, Duke students presented the need to recognize Abele and the Board of Trustees unanimously approved the naming of Abele Quad.

Mr. Speaker, Julian Abele is the youngest of eight children raised in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He studied at the University of Pennsylvania, where he became the first African American to graduate from the University's Graduate School of Fine Arts. Following graduation in 1906, Abele was hired as an architect at the firm of American architect Horace Trumbauer. There, Abele became chief designer in 1909. Abele was admitted into the American Institute of Architects in 1942.

Records indicate that Julian Abele provided the guiding vision for Duke's West Campus between 1924 and 1935. He is credited for the design of several well-known buildings on Duke's campus, including Duke Chapel, Cameron Indoor Stadium, and the West Campus quads. In 1988, a portrait of Abele was hung in the lobby of the Allen Building, which was Abele's last creation prior to his death in 1950.

Abele Quad will span the area from the steps leading to the Clock Tower Quad, Davison Quad, and the Chapel Quad—an area that is home to more than thirty buildings and spaces designed by Julian Abele. A marker will be placed at the center of the Quad to inform visitors that every surrounding building is the work of Abele's hand.

It is with great pride that I acknowledge the contributions of Mr. Julian Abele and the naming of Abele Quad on the campus of Duke University. Abele Quad will let everyone who studies, lives, works, and visits Duke's campus be reminded of Mr. Julian Abele, a talented Black architect who played a significant role in the University's creation during the country's darkest days of racial segregation.

TRIBUTE TO EAGLE SCOUT
BRENNAN T. PLUMMER

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 Brennan T. Plummer of Council Bluffs, Iowa for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. Brennan is a member of Boy Scout Troop 249 in Council Bluffs.

The Eagle Scout designation is the highest advancement rank in scouting. Approximately 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 over the past century.

To earn the Eagle Scout rank, a Boy Scout is obligated to pass specific tests that are organized by requirements and merit badges, as well as completing an Eagle Project to benefit the community. Brennan's Eagle Project coordinated a work crew at Emanuel Lutheran Church. The work crew constructed a gaga pit for the church. Brennan has held several leadership roles in Troop 249 such as patrol leader, historian, and senior patrol leader. The work ethic Brennan has shown in his Eagle Project, and every other project leading to his Eagle Scout rank, speaks volumes of his commitment to serving a cause greater than himself and assisting his community.

Mr. Speaker, the example set by this young man and his supportive family demonstrates the rewards of hard work, dedication, and perseverance. I am honored to represent Brennan and his family in the United States Congress. I know that all of my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives join me in congratulating him on obtaining the Eagle Scout ranking, and I wish him continued success in his future education and career.

COMMEMORATING THE PASSING
OF PAT GOGERTY

HON. JIM McDERMOTT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, it is with great admiration that I rise today to honor the memory of my friend Pat Gogerty, who passed away August 26, 2016 at the age of 86. Pat was a pioneer in child welfare advocacy and created Childhaven, a program that changed the lives of countless abused children in Seattle and continues to serve as a national model for therapeutic child abuse programs.

Patrick "Pat" Gogerty was born September 12, 1929 in Oregon and raised in Seattle. Physically abused by his father, and placed in foster care several times, Mr. Gogerty had a natural understanding of the abused children for which he would become an advocate.

After serving in the Army, he became the director of Seattle Day Nursery in 1973 and fully transformed it from a daycare into an effective center for early intervention and therapy. The key tenets of the program continue to this day: three hot meals, an on-site nurse, speech, physical and play therapy, as well as support and education for parents.

With the help of his brother, Seattle Deputy Mayor Bob Gogerty, Pat obtained funding for the program. Mr. Gogerty worked to identify abused children under the age of five. When parents were unable or unwilling to bring them to the center, he arranged for them to be transported to the center in a van. At the time, treating children regardless of parental participation was a revolutionary concept, but Mr. Gogerty proved it effective. In 1979, he commissioned a longitudinal study that found after 10 years, the children from Seattle Day Nursery were found to be significantly less likely to be involved in criminal activity than children from other state programs.

Mr. Gogerty became a master of public relations and Seattle Day Nursery began to receive national attention. Shortly before changing its name to Childhaven, it was the subject of a major article in Life magazine. When funding for the program was threatened in 1985, I stood on the State House floor and read the story featured in the article, a child saved by Childhaven. The boy had broken his arm saving his brother, who had been put in the dryer by their mother as punishment for wetting his pants. Childhaven subsequently retained its funding.

In 1992, The Patrick L. Gogerty branch of Childhaven opened in the city of Auburn, WA. Upon his 1998 retirement, Mr. Gogerty was recognized in a Seattle Times editorial titled "Fighting for Kids Unable to Fight for Themselves."

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Gogerty was an advocate for the defenseless. His legacy will live on in the Childhaven, its renowned model of care and the children whose lives he helped change. His lifetime of kindness and advocacy left an indelible mark on the state of Washington and he will be dearly missed.

IN HONOR OF THE NEW MOUNT
PLEASANT MISSIONARY BAPTIST
CHURCH 126TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the House's attention to recognize the 126th Anniversary of the New Mount Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church.

During the early years of the church, services were held in a log building under the leadership of Rev. Tom Williams. Many years have passed since then, and pastors have come and gone. The church has seen more than a century of change and growth. Much of that growth would not have been realized without the leadership of two of the church's most recent pastors, William Jones and Anthony Williams.

In William Jones' 27 years as pastor, his accomplishments were many. Improvements to the church included the additions of a Junior Usher Board and a third Sunday service. Most notably, he was able to secure a property to build a more up-to date church that could better accommodate the recent growth. The dedication service for the new location on County Road 13 was held on November 27, 2005, and is still in use today.

Since 2012, Rev. Anthony Williams has proudly served the church. Taking over where