

and millions of people—as many as 12 percent of reproductive-aged couples in America—suffer from this devastating disease, unable to start a family.

The good news is that treatment for infertility has advanced sharply in the last two decades, and includes in vitro fertilization, now considered the standard of care for many couples being treated for infertility.

Despite such 21st century advances, only 15 states currently provide coverage for even basic treatment for infertility.

It is my hope that National Infertility Awareness Week will encourage honest and candid dialogue among lawmakers and health professionals, in an effort to seek cures that will allow every American the opportunity to have a family.

Mr. Speaker, in concluding, I want to congratulate RESOLVE, the nation's oldest fertility advocacy organization, for the brilliant work they are doing to raise awareness about infertility.

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#### HONORING THE 2016 VIENNA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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### HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Vienna Business Association (VBA) and to congratulate the incoming 2016 board members.

Vienna is known for its local charm and strong small business community. Money Magazine and CNN have both rated Vienna as one of the best places to live in the United States. The vibrant community spirit exhibited by its residents and local businesses has fostered an exceptional quality of life that is sought out by so many.

The Vienna Business Association is the voice of the greater Vienna business community. It promotes business opportunities and development through networking and increased interaction between the commercial and residential communities within the town. Its members help maintain Vienna's small town feel by hosting and supporting many annual community events.

The VBA has thrived thanks to the diversity of its members and the leadership of its Board. I am pleased to submit the following names of the incoming 2016 board members:

2016 Chairman of the Board: George Creed.

Incoming Board Members: Mary Kay Claus, Kathy Georgen, Jeff Bollettino, Agnes Wasowski, James Cudney, Tracy Murphy, Michael Amouri.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the incoming board members and in commending the Vienna Business Association for their commitment to promoting the business community while encouraging social responsibility. I wish them continued success in all their future endeavors.

#### IN HONOR OF DALE EARNHARDT'S 65TH BIRTHDAY

### HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, it's no secret that I'm a huge supporter of NASCAR. In fact, I'm fortunate to represent Charlotte Motor Speedway, "The Rock" in Rockingham, many NASCAR teams, and the best fans in the world.

That's why I'm here today to pay tribute to NASCAR champion, Kannapolis, North Carolina native and my all-time favorite driver, Dale Earnhardt.

"The Intimidator" would have been 65 years old today, and I want to ask my fellow North Carolinians and racing enthusiasts to join me in celebrating his life and career.

A legend on and off the track, Dale lived the American Dream. He came from humble beginnings in Kannapolis, North Carolina and worked hard to become one of NASCAR's greatest heroes.

He earned seven NASCAR Winston Cup championships, tying "The King," Richard Petty. And through his success, he remained a man of the people who always gave back to the community he loved.

From his debut at Charlotte Motor Speedway in 1975, to his last NASCAR championship that he secured with a win at "The Rock" in 1994, to his final laps at the Daytona 500—battling to keep two cars he owned in the lead—Dale faced every obstacle and opportunity with unmatched courage, passion, determination and a tremendous sense of humor.

There's no question that Dale Earnhardt left a lasting impression on motorsports, on our community, and on NASCAR fans like me. Happy birthday, Number 3.

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#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Speaker, the weeks of April 18th and April 25th, I was unavoidably detained and missed several votes. Had I been present, I would have voted "no" on Roll Call No. 155, "no" on Roll Call No. 156, "no" on Roll Call No. 157, "no" on Roll Call No. 158, "yea" on Roll Call No. 159, "no" on Roll Call No. 160, "no" on Roll Call No. 161, "no" on Roll Call No. 162, "yea" on Roll Call No. 163, "yea" on Roll Call No. 164, "yea" on Roll Call No. 165, "yea" on Roll Call No. 166, "yea" on Roll Call No. 167, "no" on Roll Call No. 168, "no" on Roll Call No. 169, "yes" on Roll Call No. 170, "no" on Roll Call No. 171, "yea" on Roll Call No. 172, "no" on Roll Call No. 173, and "no" on Roll Call No. 174.

CONGRATULATING DAVID AND DEBBY SPETNAGEL OF FLEET FEET SPORTS FOR RECEIVING THE CITY OF ST. CHARLES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT 2016 EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR AWARD—RETAIL CATEGORY

### HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor constituents of mine, David and Debby Spetnagel. They are owners of Fleet Feet Sports and are receiving the 2016 Employer of the Year Award, in the Retail Category from the City of St. Charles Economic Development Department.

Fleet Feet Sports opened its doors on April 12, 1993 and since then has been successfully serving the community. Since the first store opening in 1993, five additional stores have been opened. In 2001, Fleet Feet Sports opened its Chesterfield location. In 2008, Fleet Feet Sports welcomed a new store in South St. Louis County. On Fleet Feet Sports' 20th anniversary, David and Debby Spetnagel opened another store in Des Peres. The most recent store openings were in Town & Country in 2014 and O'Fallon in 2015.

Over the last several years, Fleet Feet Sports has maintained consistent sales while adding 24 new employees in 2015. Employees of Fleet Feet Sports are recognized throughout their time with the company by the owners, David and Debby Spetnagel. With this type of employee recognition, it cultivates the spirit of strong customer service which positively affects their business and creates continued successes.

Fleet Feet Sports has faced many challenges over the years. Overcoming a very competitive retail and run specialty market and adapting to an ever-pressing e-commerce environment were two of the hardest struggles faced by owners, David and Debby Spetnagel. To overcome these challenges, Fleet Feet Sports has had to consistently seek better ways to recognize and serve their customers as well as keeping their website and digital offerings up-to-date.

Fleet Feet Sports' dedication to the community is made evident by the various events it sponsors. The company hosts free social runs in the St. Charles area as well as Frontier Park. Throughout various donations of shoes and apparel, Fleet Feet Sports impacts numerous lives in the local community.

I ask you to join me in recognizing Fleet Feet Sports for its accomplishment as the 2016 Employer of the Year Award—Retail Category.

CELEBRATING CARLOS ELIAS, SUPERINTENDENT OF THE U.S. CAPITOL BUILDING AND THE CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

### HON. JANICE D. SCHAKOWSKY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate and thank Carlos for his 17 years

of outstanding service to the U.S. Capitol Building and the CVC.

As Superintendent, he oversees the care and maintenance of 1.5 million gross square feet of space and manages a talented staff of 250 employees. It is a tremendous responsibility and his meticulous attention to detail and love of this institution is obvious to all who encounter him.

I was grateful for his leadership in 2004 when he led a small group of Members, including me, as we took on the project of re-decorating/redesigning the Democratic Cloakroom. His multitasking skills and good humor were much appreciated and made the project seamless and enjoyable from start to finish.

Carlos has been a great supporter of my efforts to learn Spanish. I take a class each week and Carlos always greets me in Spanish. Many Thanks (Muchas gracias).

I'd also like to thank his wife, Ana, and their two sons for sharing Carlos with us. His job was not a 9 to 5 one so I'm certain there were many times when his family sacrificed so he could execute and oversee projects—large and small—including four Presidential Inaugurations.

I wish Carlos all the best as he begins a new chapter as Vice President of Facilities at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and extend my thanks and gratitude for a job extraordinarily well done. Congratulations (Felicidades), Carlos.

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REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF  
BONNIE J. SLOAN

**HON. MARCY KAPTUR**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember the honorable life of one of Toledo's daughters, Bonnie J. Sloan, an intellectual and a valued member of our community.

Bonnie was born in Toledo, Ohio on January 15, 1932 to Florence and Donald MacVay. She was a graduate of Waite High School and received a master's and doctoral degree from the University of Toledo, where she went on to teach.

Mrs. Sloan lived her life for her community and was a dedicated public servant, serving as a teacher and administrator in the Toledo Public Schools. Mrs. Sloan taught for a decade at Raymer School before becoming an assistant principal of McKinley School and later a principal of Burroughs School and Edgewater School.

During her tenure in the Toledo Public Schools, Mrs. Sloan was an elementary and curriculum supervisor. Under her leadership the school system developed a program to bring students from Northern Ohio colleges and universities into Toledo schools for teaching experience. Mrs. Sloan's top concern was always for the children she served, and she often commented to friends that she would greatly prefer to be in the classroom than an administrative office.

Her passion for education and instilling a thirst for knowledge did not end after her retirement from the Toledo Public Schools. Mrs. Sloan went on to work in higher education as a faculty member at Defiance College. After another decade Mrs. Sloan retired from teach-

ing, but continued her work with Defiance College on the board of trustees.

Mrs. Sloan was also a distinguished author of several children's books, which she penned throughout her career. As in her professional life, Mrs. Sloan's personal life was also spent in service. She was a former president of Zonta Club II and the Flower Hospital Auxiliary, both cherished organizations that strengthen our community.

Bonnie was married to Gordon Sloan, a respected pharmacist, on June 16, 1956. They celebrated fifty years together before his passing on December 21, 2006. The couple liked to joke about their relationship, Bonnie being a "city girl," and Doc being a "country boy." Their nieces and nephews were also beneficiaries of Bonnie's generosity and loving guidance.

Bonnie cherished time spent with her nieces and nephews, including the hours in which she enlisted them to help set up her classrooms. Later in life, she would take joy in time spent with her great-nieces and great-nephews.

Bonnie will be remembered lovingly by her brother, Harry MacVay, sister-in-law Connie, nieces and nephews, and her many friends. We offer them our prayers and hope that they find comfort in the wonderful memories of such an outstanding public servant, who will be remembered with affection and gratitude for her probing intellect, kind heart, and dedication to advancing Toledo as a community, its children and its future.

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HONORING LEWIS ROSS BROWN, IV

**HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Virginia 11th Congressional District resident, Lewis Ross Brown, IV. At the age of seven, Lewis became the youngest member of the Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry (SETAC) on record.

Affectionately referred to as Lil' Lewis by friends and family, Lewis Ross Brown, IV is a second-grade student at Bel Air Elementary School in Prince William County. His favorite subjects are biology, chemistry, and mathematics. Inspired by his parents, scientists Dr. Lewis Ross Brown, III and Dr. Shamira Brown, Lewis aspires to become an Environmental Toxicologist with the federal government. In his spare time, Lewis enjoys reading books and viewing documentaries about African American and Latin American history to better advocate for racial and social justice. Lewis plans to maintain his perfect school attendance record throughout his public school education. After graduation from high school, he intends to pursue a Bachelor of Science degree at either Hampton University or Norfolk State University in Virginia and major in Environmental Toxicology with a double concentration in Chemistry and Toxicology. Given his recent acceptance into SETAC, Lewis is well on his way to achieving his goals.

With more than 6,000 active members, SETAC is one of the oldest global partnership non-profit organizations in the world. The organization provides a forum for scientists, managers, and other professionals to take a

multidisciplinary approach to solving environmental problems. For the past 37 years, SETAC has effectively balanced the management and regulation of natural resources, research and development, and environmental education among academics, businesses, and all levels of government. As a recent inductee, Lewis is currently assembling a digital computer project that will depict the aquatic toxicity effects of mercury contamination exposure in freshwater and marsh environments and on aquatic organisms exposed. Lewis hopes to present his project at the National SETAC meeting later this year.

Lewis' recent induction into SETAC is nothing short of astonishing. As a student in Prince William County Public Schools system, his achievement highlights the world-class education offered to residents of the 11th Congressional District. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in commending Lewis Ross Brown, IV on his induction as the youngest member of the Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry. I applaud his scientific curiosity and have full confidence in his future success as he continues to shatter barriers in the field of environmental toxicology and chemistry.

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COMMEMORATING NATIONAL  
INFERTILITY AWARENESS WEEK

**HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to express my support for National Infertility Awareness Week, which has been federally recognized since 2010, and in support of the millions of people in this country, both men and women, who currently suffer from the inability to start a family because of infertility.

Infertility is a disease of the reproductive system that affects men and women equally, and as many as 12 percent of reproductive-aged couples in America suffer from this devastating disease.

It is also among the most frequently misunderstood diseases.

We observe National Infertility Awareness Week to increase public awareness and encourage honest and candid dialogue among lawmakers and health professionals, in an effort to address this painful disease and seek cures that will allow every American the opportunity to have a family.

In addition to the millions of couples of reproductive age who suffer from infertility, countless more who are diagnosed with cancer also face the probability of becoming infertile due to the effects of the treatment for cancer.

Imagine facing not only a cancer diagnosis, but learning that the very treatment will render you unable to have children.

An untold number of military veterans, including those returning from combat duty, suffer injuries that render them unable to have a baby without medical treatment.

The good news is that treatment for infertility has advanced sharply in the last two decades, and includes in vitro fertilization, or "IVF," now considered the standard of care for many couples being treated for infertility.

Despite such 21st century advances, however, many states still do not provide insurance coverage for IVF; in fact, only 15 states