

ensuring consumer safety. With such unique and committed service to his position and employees alike, John has received numerous awards highlighting his service. In 1999, he was recognized with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's Outstanding Employee of the Year award and, in 2001, was honored with the AAFCO Distinguished Service Award. John has also been integral in the development of PaPlants, the Bureau's comprehensive web-based tracking and interactive constituent access program. PaPlants is now a model for USAPlants, a nationwide initiative in use by five other states.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Mr. John Breitsman for his extensive guidance and superior leadership with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. Commitment to his colleagues has allowed John to inspire his co-workers on a daily basis, and his hard work is evident through various achievements and lasting contributions to my community and state. John's retirement will be accompanied by quality time spent with his wife Kristin and his daughter Stephanie. On behalf of my constituents, I wish Mr. John Breitsman well on the occasion of his retirement, and best of luck in his future endeavors.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TAMMY DUCKWORTH

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Ms. DUCKWORTH. Mr. Speaker, on June 7, 2016, on Roll Call Number 269 on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to, as amended, H. Con. Res. 129, Expressing support for the goal of ensuring that all Holocaust victims live with dignity, comfort, and security in their remaining years, and urging the Federal Republic of Germany to reaffirm its commitment to this goal through a financial commitment to comprehensively address the unique health and welfare needs of vulnerable Holocaust victims, including home care and other medically prescribed needs, I am not recorded. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended.

On June 7, 2016, on Roll Call Number 270 on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 4906, To amend title 5, United States Code, to clarify the eligibility of employees of a land management agency in a time-limited appointment to compete for a permanent appointment at any Federal agency, and for other purposes, I am not recorded. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 4906.

On June 7, 2016, on Roll Call Number 271 on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 4904, Making Electronic Government Accountable By Yielding Tangible Efficiencies Act of 2016, I am not recorded. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 4904.

On June 7, 2016, on Roll Call Number 272 on the motion to suspend the rules and pass, as amended, H.R. 1815, Eastern Nevada Land Implementation Improvement Act, I am not recorded. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 1815, as amended.

TRIBUTE TO LILA AND TED SHOESMITH

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Ted and Lila Shoesmith on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary.

Ted and Lila were married on May 27, 1956 and reside in Guthrie Center, Iowa. Their lifelong commitment to each other and their family 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.

I commend this lovely couple on their 60 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.

RECOGNIZING SYDNEY EISMEIER

HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Sydney Eismeier, a Military Appointee from Colorado's Fourth Congressional District. I believe our greatest assets are America's brave men and women in uniform. Sydney is making an incredible sacrifice for our country and deserves our utmost support for her service. It is with great pleasure that I give her my endorsement to attend this prestigious institution.

Our nation owes no greater debt of gratitude than to those who fight to protect our freedom and liberty. I commend Sydney and her family for their commitment. On behalf of the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I extend my best wishes to Sydney.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize Sydney as a Military Appointee for her commitment to protect and serve our nation.

THOMAS BERGMAN

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Thomas Bergman for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Thomas Bergman is a 12th grader at Stanley Lake High School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Thomas Bergman is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Thomas Bergman for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

RECOGNIZING THE RETIREMENT OF DAVE BREIDINGER

HON. MICHAEL G. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the retirement of Dave Breidinger, a man of commitment and service.

Whether we speak of Dave Breidinger's accomplishments during his career with Comcast or in the community, Dave has served with unwavering dedication. On this special milestone of his retirement, we come to celebrate the positive impact that Dave had on so many people's lives.

Dave began his career managing a local franchise. He retires today as the Senior Vice President of Government Affairs for Comcast's Northeast Division States. I had the pleasure to work with Dave on federal government communication related issues. His contributions to Comcast have been unparalleled, as they have significantly expanded communication in the Northeast region.

Equally important to Dave's accomplishments at Comcast and his commitment to professional associations, is the extensive range of his community involvement. He has been involved with groups including the Rotary Club, Salvation Army, and the Boys and Girls Club.

Currently, he serves on numerous boards including the Bucks County Community College Foundation Board and the St. Mary Medical Center Advisory Board. Dave is also Chairman of the Board of Pearl S. Buck International which works to build better lives for children around the world—an organization located in my district which I have great pride representing in the United States House of Representatives.

In honor of his time, hard work, and selfless spirit, Dave has received a multitude of awards including the Rotary District 7510 "Matty" Mathewson Rotarian of the Year award, the Boy Scouts of America "Spirit of America" award, and leadership awards from the NJCTA, the CTAMDDC and from the Broadband Cable Association of Pennsylvania. He was also inducted into the Cable Television Pioneers for his instrumental part in the Cable Television Industry.

David Breidinger's 35 years of work for Comcast and outstanding leadership is deeply appreciated. We are grateful for David's commitment and service and know he will continue to inspire others in the Northampton Township and beyond.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. GEORGE HOLDING

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Mr. HOLDING. Mr. Speaker, I missed roll call vote 269, H. Con. Res. 129 expressing

support for the goal of ensuring that all Holocaust victims live with dignity, comfort, and security in their remaining years, and urging the Federal Republic of Germany to reaffirm its commitment to this goal through a financial commitment to comprehensively address the unique health and welfare needs of vulnerable Holocaust victims, including home care and other medically prescribed needs.

Had I been present, I would have voted Yea.

HONORING JACOB L. SALSBUURY

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Jacob L. Salsbury. Jacob is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 1395, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Jacob has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Jacob has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Jacob has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Jacob L. Salsbury for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LUIS V. GUTIÉRREZ

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Mr. GUTIÉRREZ. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably absent in the House Chamber for votes on Tuesday, June 7, 2016. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on roll call votes 269, 270, 271, and 272.

TRIBUTE TO THE ZIPP'S PIZZARIA

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Zipp's Pizzeria of Adair, Iowa for winning the 2016 Iowa Tourism Office's Pizza Madness Award from the Iowa Tourism Office.

Iowa Tourism Office announced their contest search for the best pizza in Iowa in mid-March 2016 and after nearly 15,000 entries, the votes cast named Zipp's Pizzeria, an iconic small establishment nestled in western Iowa. The one-time "take out only" pizza parlor is now a full service restaurant known statewide for its signature taco pizza.

This year's winning entrant was a local hometown café, like so many of those in Iowa.

Zipp's Pizzeria has all the markings of a great pizza parlor—with extra helpings of community pride and dishing up a tailor-made private recipe for its specialty taco pizza. Owner Jim Zimmerline accepted the award, noting he is humbled by the attention but is willing to give away their winning philosophy: never skimp on the ingredients. He said, "Not every pizza is the same. A lot of love goes into it. Everything is fresh."

I commend Jim Zimmerline and the staff at Zipp's Pizzeria for creating an outstanding pizza. I urge my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in congratulating Zipp's Pizzeria for winning 2016 Iowa Tourism Office's Pizza Madness Award. I wish Jim and all of the staff nothing but the best.

RECOGNIZING GUSSIE GAMMON'S 90TH BIRTHDAY

HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Gussie Gammon of St. Simons Island, Georgia for her 90th birthday on June 25th.

At 90 years old Ms. Gammon continues to be an impressive member and contributor to the coastal Georgia community.

She contributes greatly to the Coastal Georgia Republican Club in Brunswick and the Georgia Federation of Republican Women. She has even held positions of leadership including secretary of the Coastal Georgia Republican Club.

I know from the time that I have spent with her that she deeply cares about bettering her community as well as the nation.

Before moving to coastal Georgia in 2009, Gussie and her husband Don were active members of the community in Waynesville, North Carolina.

The First Congressional District of Georgia is lucky to have someone like Gussie who illustrates, each day, her dedication in creating a better community and I thank her for her service.

Ms. Gammon, I hope you have a happy 90th birthday.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF VINCENT ROTHWELL

HON. TOM REED

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Mr. REED. Mr. Speaker. I rise today to recognize the life and service of Vincent Rothwell, who recently passed away at the age of 91.

Mr. Rothwell was a long-time resident of Chautauqua County, New York. He graduated from Mayville High School in 1941 and joined the Army Air Corps in 1943. He served as a turret gunner aboard B-24 Bombers in the European Theater during World War II. After the war, he returned stateside and served as a Personnel Sergeant.

Mr. Rothwell was honorably discharged from the Army in 1946. He returned to New York

and married the love of his life, Elizabeth "Betty" Pickard, later that year. Mr. Rothwell graduated from Houghton College in 1952 and the Evangelical Theology Seminar of Naperville, Illinois, in 1955. Two years after joining the ministry, he reenlisted in the Army as a chaplain. He served a deployment in Vietnam and presided over more than 1,500 funerals at Arlington National Cemetery. Mr. Rothwell attained the rank of Lt. Colonel and, in 1975 retired as Senior Chaplain after 22 years of service to his country.

Mr. Rothwell returned to Westfield in 1984, where he continued his ministry as a pastor at the Westfield United Methodist Church. Even in retirement, Mr. Rothwell tirelessly served his local community, as a member of the Chautauqua County Jail Chaplaincy, a Westfield Village Trustee, the Westfield Village Clerk, and the Westfield Volunteer Fire Department Chaplain. As a pillar of his community, Mr. Rothwell was admired and respected by everyone who knew him.

Vincent Rothwell dedicated his life to serving his country, his community, and his neighbors. I extend my sincerest condolences to his family and ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life and service of this great American.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CARLOS CURBELO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Mr. CURBELO of Florida. Mr. Speaker, on June 7, I missed votes on account of a flight delay from Miami to Washington, D.C. Had I been present I would have voted as follows:

Roll Call 269: I would have voted YEA: H. Con. Res. 129—Expressing support for the goal of ensuring that all Holocaust victims live with dignity, comfort, and security in their remaining years, and urging the Federal Republic of Germany to reaffirm its commitment to this goal through a financial commitment to comprehensively address the unique health and welfare needs of vulnerable Holocaust victims, including home care and other medically prescribed needs.

Roll Call: 270: I would have voted YEA: H.R. 4906—To amend title 5, United States Code, to clarify the eligibility of employees of a land management agency in a time-limited appointment to compete for a permanent appointment at any Federal agency, and for other purposes.

Roll Call: 271: I would have voted YEA: H.R. 4904—MEGABYTE Act.

Roll Call: 272: I would have voted YEA: H.R. 1815—Eastern Nevada Land Implementation Improvement Act.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROBERT PITTENGER

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Mr. PITTENGER. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call Votes Number 269, 270, 271, and 272 I am not recorded because I was absent from the U.S. House of Representatives. Had I been