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When Denis Brandon Maduro, Esq. met this intelligent, international, beautiful woman during her east coast visit he fell in love instantaneously. He proposed to her promptly and, in the face of her reticence, lovingly encouraged her to extend her trip indefinitely. The two married two and one-half months later, on August 1, 1953, and yielded three offspring, Denis Brandon Maduro, Jr., Timothy Nicholson Maduro, and Peter Nicholson Maduro.

As mother and wife, Mrs. Maduro devoted herself to making a home for her family until her husband Denis Sr.'s untimely death in 1967. Left alone to financially support her three boys, she needed to return to work. Constitutively industrious, Mrs. Maduro became a successful residential real estate broker in Manhattan and maintained an active broker's license through her 98th year. She was also the head of the parents' association at Collegiate School of New York City (the oldest still-operating educational institution in this country) where her children were enrolled. In that role, she was charged to welcome former First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis into the ranks of the parents' activities since John F. Kennedy, Jr. was then also enrolled there as a grade-schooler. In this connection, Mrs. Madura's eldest boy, Denis, was hired to be "big brother" to John Jr. during the summer of 1970 on the Onassis' Greek island summer home of Scorpions.

By her two eldest sons, Mrs. Maduro is the beloved grandmother of Gabriela Balaz Maduro and Andrea Balaz Maduro, of Jacksonville, Florida, as well as Leah Lee Maduro and Kona Lee Maduro, of Pacific Palisades, California.

Still "sharp as a tack" and always elegantly turned out, Mrs. Maduro lives completely independently on Manhattan's upper west side, eagerly follows the New York Ballet & Philharmonic, the Manhattan art scene, local and national politics and international current events. Moreover, she elects to take taxi cabs instead of the city bus or subway only when unduly constrained for time. Thrilled to witness an African American and now perhaps a woman lead our country as its chief executive, she hopes to live to the day when people of all genders, identities, ethnicities, origins and religions can achieve high-office without barrier or prejudice.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in paying tribute to an admirably "tough cookie" and an outstanding citizen of this great nation, Mrs. Alice Nicholson Maduro, in anticipation of her 100th birthday.

#### HONORING MOTHER MATTIE MAE AMOS-MARSHALL

#### HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 14, 2016*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mrs. Mattie Mae Amos-Marshall, who was born in a small community in Florence, Mississippi called Steen Creek on October 15, 1915 to the late Mr. Ben and Salle White-Amos.

Mrs. Marshall married her childhood sweetheart, the late Mr. Jessie Marshall, at the age

of 18 and moved to Flora, Mississippi where she began a family of her own.

Mrs. Marshall was baptized at a young age at Stokes Chapel MB Church and later moved her membership to Jones Chapel MB Church where she is a member of the Mother's Board. Mrs. Marshall moved to Canton, Mississippi as a child and was educated in the Madison County School.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mother Mattie Mae Amos-Marshall.

COLIN LEE

#### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 14, 2016*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Colin Lee for his leadership, hard work and dedication on behalf of the 2015–2016 Veterans History Project documentary film produced by the students and faculty of Westminster High School in Westminster, Colorado.

The film, MEDIC!, highlights the stories of five brave veterans who served their country and their fellow veterans as combat medics. As a result of the work of Colin and his students, these veterans' stories will forever be preserved in the Library of Congress American Folklife Center. Colin was an integral part of making the film and provided invaluable support to the project and his students during the research, interview and production phases.

Colin has been a teacher for more than 20 years, including the past 15 years in Adams County School District 50. Throughout his career as a teacher, he's been heavily involved in student activities inside and outside the classroom including a Student Council Sponsor, Class Sponsor, track coach, International Baccalaureate Coordinator and Dean of Students. Currently, Colin serves as the sponsor of the National Honor Society. He earned his BS Education degree in History from Missouri State University.

I extend my deepest appreciation to Colin Lee for his hard work and dedication to the 2015–2016 Veterans History Project documentary film and for his contribution to the lives of so many students in our community.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. ROBERT HURT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 14, 2016*

Mr. HURT of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I was not present for Roll Call vote Number 297 on H.R. 4939. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

#### TRIBUTE TO PHIL WALDMAN

#### HON. DAVID W. JOLLY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 14, 2016*

Mr. JOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Phil Waldman for his induction into the Florida Aviation Hall of Fame of 2016.

Mr. Waldman was a ferry pilot and the former President of the Florida Globe Aero. From 1975 to 1979, he ferried 400 planes a year and had 27 pilots on his payroll too.

Mr. Waldman flew planes all over the world and a lot of the time, they were single engine planes. That means for 20 to 30 hours of flight time, he would be alone with an extra gas tank in the seat beside him. He crossed the Atlantic and Pacific oceans over 250 times in small planes, almost beating the standing record for this type of flight.

Mr. Waldman is joining a rich history of aviation pilots in the Florida Aviation Hall of Fame and our community of Pinellas County is proud to have him as a neighbor. Although he semi-retired in 2008, he remains an active pilot. I respect Mr. Waldman for the work he put into aviation, and I ask this body join me in recognizing Phil Waldman for his accomplishments.

KIFFANY KIEWIET

#### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 14, 2016*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Kiffany Kiewiet for her leadership and vision on behalf of the 2015–2016 Veterans History Project documentary film produced by the students and faculty of Westminster High School in Westminster, Colorado.

The film, MEDIC!, highlights the stories of five brave veterans who served their country and their fellow veterans as combat medics. Kiffany's willingness to take on the project and her ongoing support of the project helped provide a very memorable and hands-on experience for the students. The Veterans History Project helps preserve the stories of our veterans for future generations and MEDIC! will forever be preserved in the Library of Congress American Folklife Center.

Kiffany became the principal in 2015 after serving as the assistant principal and athletic director for Westminster High School. Prior to that Kiffany worked as a community liaison at Manual High School in Denver. Kiffany's career in education started in an at-risk high school program in Wisconsin before she moved to Colorado about five-and-a-half years ago. A lifelong learner herself, Kiffany demonstrates a willingness to take on new challenges and projects to help both teachers and students grow and learn.

I extend my deepest appreciation to Kiffany Kiewiet for her leadership on the 2015–2016 Veterans History Project documentary film and for her ongoing contribution to the lives of so many students in our community.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. LUIS V. GUTIÉRREZ

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 14, 2016*

Mr. GUTIÉRREZ. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably absent in the House chamber for votes on Monday, June 13, 2016. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on roll call votes 297 and 298.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. JARED HUFFMAN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 14, 2016*

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on Tuesday, June 7, and Wednesday, June 8, 2016, I was absent for roll call votes 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, & 275.

Had I been present for 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, as amended, I would have voted “yes”.

Had I been present for roll call vote 270, 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 would have voted “yes”.

Had I been present for roll call vote 271, H.R. 4904—MEGABYTE Act of 2016, I would have voted “yes”.

Had I been present for roll call vote 272, H.R. 1815—Eastern Nevada Land Implementation Improvement Act, I would have voted “yes”.

Had I been present for roll call vote 273, motion on Ordering the Previous Question on the Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 4775, H. Con. Res. 89 and H. Con. Res. 112, I would have voted “no”.

Had I been present for roll call vote 274, H. Res. 767—Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 4775—Ozone Standards Implementation Act of 2016, H. Con. Res. 89—Expressing the sense of Congress that a carbon tax would be detrimental to the United States economy, and H. Con. Res. 112—Expressing the sense of Congress opposing the President’s proposed \$10 tax on every barrel of oil, I would have voted “no”.

Had I been present for roll call vote 275, H.R. 3826—Mount Hood Cooper Spur Land Exchange Clarification Act, I would have voted “yes”.

LAURA SEWARD

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 14, 2016*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Laura Seward for her leadership, hard work and dedication on behalf of the 2015–2016 Veterans History Project documentary film produced by the students and faculty of Westminster High School in Westminster, Colorado.

The film, *MEDIC!*, highlights the stories of five brave veterans who served their country and their fellow veterans as combat medics. The Veterans History Project is a congressionally chartered project that works to collect, preserve and make accessible personal ac-

counts of American war veterans. The stories of these veterans will forever be preserved in the Library of Congress American Folklife Center. Laura and her students were an integral part of the film helping to provide b-roll photos along with designing all graphics and interactive media.

Laura earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in photography and digital art and her K–12 Art Education Licensure from Metropolitan State College in Denver in 2008. Since then she has worked as the graphic design, interactive media and digital photography teacher at Westminster High School where she has increased enrollment in the program by 200 percent.

I extend my deepest appreciation to Laura Seward for her hard work and dedication to the 2015–2016 Veterans History Project documentary film and for her ongoing contributions to the lives of so many students in our community.

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**TRIBUTE TO FLORIDA DREAM CENTER**


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**HON. DAVID W. JOLLY**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 14, 2016*

Mr. JOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize the efforts of the Florida Dream Center, an agency working to improve the lives of those living in our community.

The Florida Dream Center was started in 2012 with the goal of helping victims of homelessness, human trafficking, and neglect. Led by Executive Director Geoffrey Rogers and President Bill Losasso, the Florida Dream Center is committed to their goal for Pinellas County which entails restoring dreams, renewing hope, and rebuilding lives.

Most recently, The Florida Dream Center and the Pinellas County Human Services, partnered to make a dream become reality for a family of four through the Adopt-A-Block initiative. A single mom and her three boys, all of whom are under the age of 15, did not have a home to live in and were living in motels. Volunteers gave their time to remodel and restore a foreclosed property that the family will now be living in.

Along with revitalizing our communities and neighborhoods, the Florida Dream Center works hard to help combat hunger. At the beginning of April, the organization and other members of our community helped hand out food to those in need and they also provided repairs and maintenance to the community where they saw it was needed most. Additionally, the Florida Dream Center aids human trafficking victims and survivors to ensure they feel safe in Pinellas County.

Mr. Speaker, I want to thank the Florida Dream Center and Pinellas County Human Services and Fair Housing Assistance Program for continuing to aid and provide exemplary help to those in need in our county. Their acts of kindness are an inspiration and I ask that this body join me in recognizing them for the hard work they have done and continue to do for all of us in Pinellas County.

## HONORING JOHN O. BADERO

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 14, 2016*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable public servant Dr. John Olurotimi Badero who was born the 7th of 8th children to Chief Eliab Olufemi and Mrs. Stella Taiwo Badero in Lagos, Nigeria.

Dr. Badero attended St. Mary’s Private School in Lagos, Nigeria for his primary education where he skipped the 4th grade due to his academic excellence, completing primary education in five years instead of the regular six years.

Dr. Badero received his secondary school education at Federal Government College Odogbolu in Ogun State, Nigeria where he completed 6 years of secondary school education graduating with 9 distinctions in his senior secondary school certificate education.

Dr. Badero’s academic excellence dates back to his secondary school days where he won the best overall student in Nigeria in a national science quiz competition. He subsequently got admission into the medical school at Obafemi Awolowo University Ile-Ife.

Following Completion of his medical training at Obafemi Awolowo University Ile-Ife, and internship training, Dr. Badero moved to the United States for further post-graduate medical education. He completed 3 years of Residency training in Internal Medicine at State University of New York (SUNY) Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn, NY.

After completion of his residency training in internal medicine, Dr. Badero then completed a 2-year Fellowship training in Nephrology & Hypertension at Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta Georgia. Upon Completion of his Nephrology Fellowship at Emory University, Dr. Badero returned to SUNY Downstate Medical in Brooklyn, New York to complete yet another 3-year fellowship training in Cardiovascular Medicine.

After a distinguished Cardiology Fellowship, he gained admission into the prestigious Yale University School of Medicine, where Dr. Badero completed two Fellowship trainings in Invasive & Interventional Cardiology as well as Peripheral Vascular Angioplasty & Interventions. He completed his training at Yale University with distinction and a certificate of achievement for exemplary performance.

Dr. Badero then returned to SUNY Downstate Medical Center for another year of Fellowship training in Interventional Nephrology/Endovascular medicine & Dialysis Access intervention.

Dr. Badero in all completed an unprecedented 10 years of continuous post graduate medical training and he is currently board certified in: 1) Internal Medicine; 2) Nephrology & Hypertension; 3) Interventional Nephrology & Endovascular Access; 4) Cardiovascular Medicine; 5) Nuclear Cardiology; and 6) Invasive & Interventional Cardiology making him the only one in the state of Mississippi.

Dr. Badero is currently the only fully trained and board certified cardio-nephrologist (combined kidney and heart specialist) in the world today and recently received a recognition award by financial development magazine in Nigeria.