

place in Florida. Sgt. Johnson's tragic death leaves this young family fatherless.

Mr. Speaker, in his Second Inaugural address, President Abraham Lincoln called on our nation to endeavor "to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and his orphan. . . ."

Unfortunately, rather than comfort Sgt. Johnson's grieving family, the current occupant of the White House has chosen to use them as his latest prop in his constant effort to sow discord and division in this country.

The President and White House Chief of Staff John Kelly, who happens to be a Four-Star General, have insulted and smeared an honorable public servant who happens to be a Five-Star Congresswoman, and in effect called her and her grieving widowed constituent liars.

Congresswoman FREDERICA S. WILSON has been a champion for the people of South Florida for decades. It is no mystery—and it was not political—that she was accompanying Mrs. Johnson and her family to receive her husband's remains. She had mentored Sgt. Johnson throughout his childhood.

Mr. Speaker, I have participated in several of Congresswoman WILSON's 500 Role Models events and have spoken for one of their graduations. I often wear a red tie to this floor helping her highlight their efforts. And her passionate work on behalf of those kidnapped girls of Boko Haram is unmatched.

As the husband of a five-star African American woman for more than 56 years and the father of three African American daughters who are working hard to earn their stars each and every day, I feel compelled to respond to General Kelly and completely debunk his concocted misrepresentation.

Mr. Speaker, we can have political differences here in Washington, D.C. That comes with the territory. But people need to have the common decency and basic humanity to refrain from exacerbating the pain of those already suffering so much.

I was taught from childhood that silence gives consent. I want the White House to know this, I and the members of the Congressional Black caucus will not be silent or silenced.

TRIBUTE TO TAMMY SMITH

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Tammy Smith as the 2017 Taco John's International Manager of the Year.

Tammy's leadership has helped the team at the Creston Taco John's achieve record-setting sales levels by providing great service and a friendly smile. Tammy was quoted in the Creston News Advertiser as saying "It isn't just me. It's everybody in this store that makes something like that happen. You have to be doing everything right. There's no way I could come in and do it myself."

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to represent leaders like Tammy in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud her for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great State of Iowa. I ask that my colleagues in the United

States House of Representatives join me in congratulating her for earning this outstanding award and in wishing her nothing but continued success.

TRIBUTE TO MARCIA SHOWALTER

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Marcia Showalter, from the Mount Ayr Medical Clinic in Mount Ayr, Iowa. Marcia was awarded the 2017 DAISY Award at a ceremony earlier this year.

This award was created to express the public's profound gratitude to nurses for the work they do on a daily basis. Through Marcia's skilled and compassionate care she delivers an outstanding service to her patients and their families. Gordon Winkler, CEO of Ringgold County Hospital, stated, "Marcia epitomizes the exceptional people who provide exceptional care at the clinic and the hospital."

Mr. Speaker, I applaud and congratulate Marcia for receiving this award and for providing excellent patient care to her fellow Iowans. I am proud to represent her and all the members of the Mount Ayr Medical Clinic in the United States Congress and I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating Marcia on this outstanding achievement and in wishing her nothing but continued success.

TRIBUTE TO JOKAYE AND RONNIE SHIELDS

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate JoKaye and Ronnie Shields on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. The couple married on September 22, 1957 and resides in Mount Ayr, Iowa.

JoKaye and Ronnie's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa's values. As they reflect on their 60th anniversary, may their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend JoKaye and Ronnie on their 60 years together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

TRIBUTE TO MARILYN AND JAMES SAVILLE

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Marilyn

and James Saville on the very special occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. The couple married on August 19, 1967 and resides in Mount Ayr, Iowa.

Marilyn and James' lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa's values. As they reflect on their 50th anniversary, may their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 50 years together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Marilyn and James on this momentous occasion.

TRIBUTE TO EAGLE SCOUT HUNTER BECKER

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Hunter Becker of Urbandale, Iowa for earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

The Eagle Scout designation is the highest advancement rank in scouting. Approximately two 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. For his project, Hunter raised \$1,750 and led 31 volunteers in 70 hours of service to prepare the Timberline Soccer Complex in Waukee for the season, including preparing the goals and building or refurbishing six picnic tables. The work ethic Hunter has shown not only in his Eagle Scout Project but through his many accomplishments during his scouting career speaks volumes about 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 and community demonstrates the rewards of hard work, dedication, and perseverance. I am honored to represent Hunter and his family in the United States Congress. I ask that my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives join me in congratulating him on obtaining the Eagle Scout ranking, and in wishing him nothing but continued success.

TRIBUTE TO LOIS AND BILL JAY

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Lois and Bill Jay on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. The couple resides in Creston, Iowa.

Lois and Bill's lifelong commitment to each other and their children and grandchildren truly embodies Iowa's values. As they reflect on their 60th anniversary, may their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 60 years together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Lois and Bill on this momentous occasion.

TRIBUTE TO BERT AND EDDIE
EHM

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Bert and Eddie Ehm on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. The couple resides on a farm outside of Arispe, Iowa.

Bert and Eddie's lifelong commitment to each other, their three children and four grandchildren truly embodies Iowa's values. As they reflect on their 60th anniversary, may their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 60 years together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Bert and Eddie on this momentous occasion.

TRIBUTE TO ZOLA AND BRUCE
WESTPHAL

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Zola and Bruce Westphal on the very special occasion of their 70th wedding anniversary. The couple was married on September 12, 1947, and resides in Greenfield, Iowa.

Zola and Bruce's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa values. As they reflect on their 70th wedding anniversary, may their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 70th year together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Zola and Bruce on this momentous occasion and in wishing them both nothing but continued success.

TRIBUTE TO BEVERLY KEMERY

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Beverly Thornton Kemery, of Bedford, Iowa for being awarded the Volunteer of the Year Award from the Bedford Area Chamber.

Beverly has been a lifelong resident of Bedford and has raised a family of four sons, 15 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. She held offices with the Bedford Lioness Club, has been a sponsor for the Young Mothers at

Heart, and was a Sunday school teacher. Beverly is also a member of the Red Hat Society and the Bedford Northside Apartments.

Mr. Speaker, Beverly's efforts embody the Iowa spirit and I am honored to represent her, and constituents like her, in the United States Congress. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Beverly for this outstanding achievement and in wishing her nothing but continued success.

TRIBUTE TO NANCI TRIBOLET

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Nanci Tribolet, of Bedford, Iowa for being named the 2017 Iowa Mother of the Year by American Mothers Inc. American Mothers Inc. is celebrating its 82nd year of nationally honoring motherhood.

Nanci was selected because she excels in her role as a mother and a community leader. In 1971, she married her high school sweetheart and they were blessed with three children and five grandchildren. Nanci's love of children has been the foundation of her career in childcare. Over the course of her 45 year career, she has worked with more than 150 children in her community.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Nanci in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud her for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Nanci for earning this outstanding award and in wishing her nothing but continued success.