

New York, and their recent partnership with National Grid.

For five generations, Kings-Ransom dairy farmers have been making a positive impact on the North Country economy with their contributions to the local agriculture market. In 2010, the farm's owners, Jan and Jeff King, decided to return to their roots by starting King Brothers Dairy, a service which provides fresh milk and other dairy products directly to the doors of nearby consumers. By providing highly sought after locally sourced food to their neighbors, the King Family has contributed greatly to the Upstate New York community, earning their dairy products the "New York State Grown and Certified Producer" certification in the process.

The innovative spirit displayed at King Brother's Dairy has also attracted the attention of National Grid, who have partnered with the farm by providing \$100,000 in energy efficiency and economic development grant funding. This investment from National Grid has assisted King Brother's Dairy in the development of their new bottling facility, while also helping to ensure that the farm can continue their leadership in the agricultural community.

On behalf of New York's 21st District, I want to thank National Grid and King Brother's Dairy for their important contributions to local agriculture. In addition to encouraging economic development in the North Country, their work provides an important example of the success that can be achieved by working together.

TRIBUTE TO NORA SCHATZBERG

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Nora Schatzberg of Pleasant Hill, Iowa for being named the 2016 Pleasant Hill Citizen of the Year at the Pleasant Hill Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner and Awards Ceremony earlier this year.

The Citizen of the Year award celebrates a community member who has devoted their time and energy to making their community a better place. Nora has taken a leading role in promoting the arts in Pleasant Hill. She organized the first Art by the Lake event this year, which showcased local artists as well as youth in local school districts. Nora's already begun plans for next year, including receiving a grant from Bravo. She has also organized community workshops and programs to spread the word about the importance of a community having a strong commitment to the arts.

Mr. Speaker, I'm proud to represent community leaders like Nora in the United States Congress, and it is with great pride that I recognize her today. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Nora for this outstanding achievement and in wishing her nothing but continued success.

MILLER BROTHERS RAISE FUNDS FOR HURRICANE HARVEY VICTIMS

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank Jacob, Zachary and Luke Miller of Pearland, TX, for their efforts to raise money for victims of Hurricane Harvey.

Jacob, Zachary and Luke collected \$800 for Harvey victims by setting up a lemonade and cookie stand in their neighborhood, and are donating the proceeds to the J.J. Watt Harvey Relief Fund. The Miller boys are a shining example of the Texas spirit. They have stepped up to do whatever they can to help friends, neighbors and strangers alike in their time of need. Their selfless actions make our community Houston Strong.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, thank you again to Jacob, Zachary and Luke Miller for their hard work to help those affected by Hurricane Harvey. We are extremely proud of them and look forward to their future accomplishments.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF WIN AND POLLY BELANGER

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize Win and Polly Belanger of Willsboro, New York, for their consistent and enduring dedication to community service.

After retiring from the United States Air Force in 1990, Win Belanger moved to Willsboro, New York with his wife Polly, where they have worked for the betterment of their community by lending both their ears and their voices.

By urging individuals in Essex County to become more involved in their government and enter into public service, the Belangers have helped to encourage authentic and sincere representation. Additionally, Win has shown a steadfast commitment to the wellbeing of his peers through his work on the Willsboro Central School budget committee, the town zoning board and as a founding member and officer of the Willsboro Community Housing Assistance Task Force.

On behalf of Essex County, I would like to thank Win and Polly for their service, their patriotism and their friendship, while also wishing them the best of luck in their future endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO NICCI BAKER

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Nicci Baker of Pleasant Hill, Iowa for being named the 2016 Pleasant Hill Volunteer of the Year at the Pleasant Hill Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner and Awards Ceremony earlier this year.

The Volunteer of the Year award celebrates a chamber member who is active within the organization. Almost everywhere she goes, you will find Nicci promoting the Pleasant Hill Chamber of Commerce, and encouraging others to join. If there is a chamber event you can be sure she will be there, and she is a member who can always be counted on to do her part, from stuffing envelopes to putting up tents. Nicci understands the benefits of having strong local businesses in her community, so she doesn't hesitate to help serve food at chamber member business's open houses, as well as dishing up tacos for The Shores Senior Living Community.

Mr. Speaker, I'm proud to represent community leaders like Nicci in the United States Congress, and it is with great pride that I recognize her today. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Nicci for this outstanding achievement and in wishing her nothing but continued success.

LUKE JANIK EARNS EAGLE SCOUT RANK

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Luke Janik of Katy, TX, for earning the rank of Eagle Scout. Eagle Scout is the highest honor a Boy Scout can earn.

Only a small percentage of Boy Scouts reach the rank of Eagle Scout, which requires years of effort to develop the necessary leadership, service and outdoor skills. To earn this rank, Luke had to earn 21 merit badges, and develop and provide leadership to others in a service project. For his project, Luke built benches for his high school tennis court. He is part of Troop 230. Luke's dedication to our community has prepared him to be a leader in his future career. The leadership skills he has learned through Boy Scouts are already benefiting our community.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Luke for becoming an Eagle Scout. We are proud and confident of his continued success.

95TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION FOR PEOPLE'S MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the People's Missionary Baptist Church for its 95 years of service in the South Dallas community. Since its beginning, in the home of Sister Alice Coleman, the church has brought a strong impact in Dallas, as well as the nation at large. Thanks to the commitment and strong leadership of many pastors, the church a strong legacy in the Dallas community.

It was Rev. S. M. Wright, Sr. who came to lead the church in April of 1957. Rev. Wright, Sr.'s leadership reorganized the church, renaming it People's Missionary Baptist Church,

instead of solely People's Baptist Church. This call to missionary has led the church from then on, creating a legacy of community outreach, and ministry that reaches far beyond the walls of the church. During Rev. Wright, Sr.'s tenure, his preaching became renowned across the nation. At the time of his death, he was the president of the National Missionary Baptist Convention, president of the Missionary Baptist General Convention of Texas, and president of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Dallas. In 1995, President George W. Bush renamed Highway 175 to S. M. Wright Freeway in his honor.

On November 17, 1993, Rev. S. M. Wright, II began leading the church with his pastoral leadership. His brother, Rev. Calvin W. M. Wright served next to him as co-pastor. Together, the two men continued Rev. Wright, Sr.'s mission by helping to improve the lives of people outside the church's walls by engaging their members in community outreach and civic matters.

Pastor S. M. Wright, II and his family created the S. M. Wright Foundation to administer the South Dallas Community, the South Dallas Education Center, the South Dallas Resource Center, the S. M. Wright Furniture Bank, the South Dallas Entrepreneurship Center, and the Financial Management and Investment Club. These organizations help those in need obtain furniture, clothing, job training, and much more. Since November 2014, Pastor S. M. Wright, II innovated the Fix-It-Up and Fill-It-Up Campaign. This campaign has worked to renovate the church through tithes and offerings to make sure that the church can continue serving its continuously growing membership. It finished renovations in March of 2016.

Mr. Speaker, the South Dallas community is a greater place, because of the presence of the People's Missionary Baptist Church and I'm proud to celebrate their 95th Anniversary.

TRIBUTE TO CHRISTIE BEVING

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Christie Beving of Norwalk, Iowa for being named the 2017 Norwalk Educator of the Year at the Norwalk Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner and Awards Ceremony earlier this year.

The Educator of the Year award recognizes a local teacher who has exemplified what excellence in teaching looks like. Christie has been teaching English at the Norwalk Community School District for the past 19 years, and this year is serving as an instructional coach. She is known by students and parents alike as an educator who is student centered, and always pushing them to their full potential. Her dedication to the children of Norwalk extends beyond her classrooms though. She is also a prep teacher at St. John's Catholic Church and volunteers for NABC basketball tournaments.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to represent educators like Christie in the United States Con-

gress, and it is with great pride that I recognize her today. I ask that all of my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Christie for this outstanding achievement and in wishing her nothing but continued success.

INTRODUCTION OF THE CONGRESS LEADS BY EXAMPLE ACT OF 2017

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I am introducing the Congress Leads by Example Act, which would subject Congress and the rest of the legislative branch to the federal whistleblower and anti-discrimination laws that now protect employees in the private sector and the executive branch. Now more than ever, especially given ongoing reports of sexual harassment and other workplace abuses in the legislative branch, Congress should abide by the laws it imposes on the American people, American businesses, and others. Congress has already acknowledged the importance of accountability in the legislative branch when it passed the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (CAA).

The CAA was an important first step in making the legislative branch accountable for its employment practices, but it did not finish the job. The CAA did bring the legislative branch under 13 major civil rights, labor and workplace safety and health laws, but it exempted the legislative branch from important notice and training provisions, and altogether omitted important substantive and administrative protections. In its annual report for fiscal year 2016, the Office of Compliance (OOC), which was established through the CAA, identified additional provisions of federal workplace laws and standards that should be applicable to the legislative branch. OOC's recommendations include mandatory anti-discrimination and anti-retaliation training, providing whistleblowers with protection from retaliation by making the Whistleblower Protection Act of 1989 applicable to the legislative branch, and urging Congress to approve regulations that provide additional protections under the Family and Medical Leave Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act. This bill takes into account the OOC report, and seeks to both apply the standard of fairness to employees in the legislative branch that Congress requires for other employees and to provide a safer work environment for Congress, Capitol Hill employees, and visitors by bringing the legislative branch in line with the legal requirements of private sector employers and the executive branch.

My bill is a necessary companion to the CAA, particularly in light of recent news reports of appalling behavior on the part of Members of Congress and staff in positions of authority in Member offices and committees. Former and current staffers spoke out on social media during the #MeToo campaign, which originated after the Harvey Weinstein sexual assault and harassment allegations, sharing horrifying stories of workplace harassment, including groping, inappropriate emails and text messages, and predatory behavior on

the part of both Members and staff. But many legislative branch employees who have been victims of workplace harassment or worse have not felt empowered to report it since they are not protected from retaliation. My bill provides general whistleblower protections, anti-retaliation measures, and makes additional Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) provisions applicable to the legislative branch, including providing subpoena authority to OOC to conduct inspections and investigations into OSHA violations.

This bill also furthers the CAA's mission to prevent discrimination in legislative branch offices by prohibiting the legislative branch from making adverse employment decisions on the basis of an employee's wage garnishment or involvement in bankruptcy proceedings pursuant to the Consumer Credit Protection Act and Chapter 11 of the bankruptcy code. This bill requires legislative branch employers to provide their employees with notice of their rights and remedies under the CAA anti-discrimination provisions through the placement of signage in offices highlighting relevant anti-discrimination laws, including Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the Age Discrimination in Employment Act. This bill also requires legislative branch offices to provide training to employees about their CAA rights and remedies. Finally, this bill bolsters the CAA's recordkeeping requirements. It extends to the legislative branch the obligation to maintain accurate records of safety information and employee injuries, as otherwise required by OSHA, as well as employee records necessary to administer anti-discrimination laws.

By passing this bill, Congress will help restore the public trust in this institution by redoubling our efforts to exercise leadership by example. I urge bipartisan support for this important measure.

LUNCHESES OF LOVE SERVES TWO MILLION LUNCHESES

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Lunches of Love for serving its two millionth free lunch to children of the Fort Bend County community.

Lunches of Love has been serving Fort Bend County since 2012 by providing nutritious lunches for children in need. This summer, Lunches of Love distributed their two millionth sack lunch and moved one step closer to ending childhood hunger. We are extremely proud of Lunches of Love's dedication to our children and are grateful for every volunteer who has helped them reach this milestone. Our hope is that Lunches of Love will no longer be necessary, but until that day, we thank them for providing nutrition and love for children who need it.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, thank you again to Lunches of Love for serving the children of Fort Bend County and helping to eradicate childhood hunger. Thank you for serving two million lunches.