

impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious honor based on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2017 class of Forty Under 40 honorees will join an impressive roster of 680 past business leaders and growing.

Karen is an attorney at BrownWinick law firm, focusing on complex residential and commercial real estate transactions. She graduated with distinction from the University of Iowa in 2003 and received her J.D. with honors from Drake University in 2008. She is a member of the Polk County, Iowa State, and American Bar Associations, as well as a member of the Polk County Women Attorneys. Outside of her work, she serves on the boards for Operations Downtown and the Des Moines Social Club. Karen also serves on the Capital Campaign Committee and as a mentor with Community Youth Concepts.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Karen in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize her today 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 Karen on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing each member of the 2017 Forty Under 40 class a long and successful career.

#### HONORING CRAIG E. MULLER

#### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 1, 2017*

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Craig E. Mueller. Craig 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 397, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Craig has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Craig 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, Craig has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project.

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

#### HONORING CHIEF STEPHAN B. WILDER

#### HON. JAMES B. RENACCI

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 1, 2017*

Mr. RENACCI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Stephan B. Wilder, Chief of Police for North Canton, Ohio, who is now retiring after 36 years of service to the city. Chief

Wilder began his law enforcement career with the city in 1981 as an unpaid auxiliary officer. Two years later, he was hired as a part time patrolman, and his full time service to the citizens of North Canton began in 1986. He was promoted to lieutenant in 1996 and became Chief of Police on May 29, 2011.

Before serving the City of North Canton, Chief Wilder was a graduate of Glenwood High School and Kent State University, where he studied Criminal Justice. He went on to obtain his Master's in Criminal Justice Administration from Tiffin University, and his education also includes studies at Northwestern University Center for Public Safety School of Police and Command, as well as the Ohio Police Association of Chiefs of Police Executive Leadership College.

In addition to serving his community in a law enforcement capacity, Chief Wilder has also served North Canton through his active participation in many civic and professional organizations. He has held positions and honors with the North Canton YMCA, North Canton Chamber of Commerce, Junior Achievement, Rotary Club, Knights of Columbus, Ohio Association and the International Association of Chiefs of Police, Stark County Police Chiefs Association, and Boy Scouts of America Buckeye Council. He has been active with the Boy Scouts since he became an Eagle Scout in 1967.

Throughout his career, Chief Wilder has received numerous rewards and honors. He has been honored with the Franklin M. Kreml Leadership Award by Northwestern University and by the Plain Local Schools Foundation and Alumni Association Hall of Distinction.

This week, the City of North Canton celebrates Chief Wilder's distinguished career and his retirement. I offer my congratulations to Chief Wilder on his retirement and thank him for his years of service. North Canton and I are grateful to him for everything he has done as a member of the city's law enforcement and as a leader in the community. I ask my colleagues in the House to join me in paying tribute to a valued public servant and wishing him a happy retirement.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF THE VICTIMS OF THE SUMGAI POGROMS

#### HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 1, 2017*

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the Sumgait pogroms, one of the most horrific attacks against the Armenian people, committed at the hands of Azerbaijanis 29 years ago.

On February 27, 1988, hundreds of Armenian civilians living in the city of Sumgait in Azerbaijan were indiscriminately killed, raped, maimed, and even burned alive for no reason other than their ethnicity. This senseless violence was instigated by hostile, anti-Armenian rhetoric from Azerbaijani citizens and officials against innocent Armenians.

For nearly three decades, Azerbaijan has taken steps to cover up these crimes against humanity and dismiss the atrocities at Sumgait. Even more disturbing is that perpetrators of this event and similar violent attacks have since been lauded as national heroes.

I condemn these horrific attacks. Tragically, the Azerbaijani government's approach toward the Armenian people has not changed much since these attacks were perpetrated. In 2017, we hear the same violent rhetoric and witness the intimidation tactics by the Azerbaijani government against the people of Nagorno Karabakh.

If we do not condemn crimes against humanity and allow them to go unpunished and unrecognized we only strengthen the resolve of those seeking to perpetrate these crimes in the future. The Armenian people have known this for too long, as we prepare to commemorate the 102nd Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide in April.

I will continue to work with my colleagues on the Congressional Armenian Issues Caucus to remember the victims of the pogroms at Sumgait and to condemn all acts of violence against people who are targeted simply because of their existence. I hope my colleagues will join me in rejecting violent rhetoric and intimidation and renewing our commitment to achieving a collective peace.

#### RECOGNIZING RUTGERS CANCER INSTITUTE OF NEW JERSEY AT UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

#### HON. DONALD M. PAYNE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 1, 2017*

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the newly formed partnership between the Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey and University Hospital, located in Newark, New Jersey. This landmark agreement, designated by the National Cancer Institute, brings Rutgers' NCI-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center services, as the only one in the state of New Jersey. This will expand the offering of advanced cancer-related services for residents of Newark and the greater Essex County—which includes many constituents in the 10th Congressional District of New Jersey.

The partnership expands the offering of advanced cancer-related services, including clinical trials only available at NCI-designated cancer centers, community outreach and education programs focusing on cancer prevention, and early detection including increased screenings. The focus on early detection and preventions is very important as March is National Colorectal Cancer Month. Colorectal cancer is the third most common type of cancer in men and women in our country. According to the American Cancer Society, it is the third leading cause of cancer-related deaths in the United States when men and women are considered separately, and the second leading cause when both sexes are combined. In 2016, it was estimated that 134,490 new cases would be diagnosed, and that 49,190 people would die from colorectal cancer. The availability of the latest treatment options and clinical trials at the Rutgers Cancer Institute at University Hospital are expected to improve patient outcomes and increase awareness of early detection and prevention to help reduce cancer incidence and burden in the 10th Congressional District.

This partnership embraces University Hospital's patient-centered care model, and will

create a multidisciplinary team of experts that will include: medical, surgical, and radiation oncologists, oncology certified nurses, patient navigators, social workers, registered dietitians, pharmacists, and other specially trained support personnel. The Cancer Institute is also physically connected to University Hospital, which allows patients to access additional clinical services, clinical research opportunities, screening and education programs and administrative offices. Additionally, the new partnership will create educational opportunities for community partners in the Newark area to work with University Hospital to identify cancer-related needs and develop culturally appropriate education. These activities will form the basis for future cancer-focused outreach initiatives, which will focus on improving cancer literacy and communication between patients and healthcare providers.

This collaboration is essential to expanding comprehensive cancer services, including prevention, education, early detection, increased screenings, and clinical trials in Newark and Essex County, New Jersey and I am honored to recognize this exciting partnership between the Rutgers Cancer Institute and University Hospital.

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#### KEYBANK

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### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 1, 2017*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize KeyBank for being honored as the Large Business of the Year by the West Chamber of Commerce.

KeyBank is a valuable community partner across the Denver Metro area and in Jefferson County. In Colorado, KeyBank has 700 employees, 61 branches and gives generously to more than 50 community partners every year in support of education, workforce development and advancing economic inclusion through building stronger neighborhoods and communities.

For the past two years, KeyBank has sponsored the "Launch" program for the Jefferson County Business Resource Center. Through this sponsorship, KeyBank plays an important role in helping local entrepreneurs create business plans and develop the skills they need to start a small business.

In addition to supporting local entrepreneurs through the "Launch" program, KeyBank also plays an important role in funding small businesses in Jefferson County. KeyBank has provided small business loans to numerous local entrepreneurs, which have helped them acquire other businesses, purchase real estate or grow their businesses in a variety of ways.

I extend my deepest congratulations to KeyBank for this well-deserved honor from the West Chamber of Commerce.

IN RECOGNITION OF MARY MARRARA, SCRANTON UNICO'S UNICAN OF THE YEAR

### HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 1, 2017*

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mary Marrara, who will be honored as Unican of the Year on March 4, 2017 during the annual Scranton UNICO banquet. Each year UNICO honors a member that puts Service above self. Mary has a lifetime record of service to the Scranton community.

Mary was born and raised in Fort Washington, Pennsylvania. She attended school in the Philadelphia area, and she started her career as a dental manager there. In 1970, she and her husband Phil moved to Scranton. Mary and Phil own P & M Associates, Inc. The company was one of the first to offer cabinet refacing with a major national department store. They have received every top award for over 25 years for customer service and installations. Mary was part of the team in Chicago that created the Quality Every Day program, which set the standard for the national installation. Currently, they work with major retailers and sell and install kitchens on their own. Mary also owned and operated an ice cream shop, The Mary Go Round, which included The Floral Corner with her sister Fran.

In her 47 years of living in northeastern Pennsylvania Mary has served in, helped, and advised a wide array of area organizations. One of the first charities Mary became involved with was St. Joseph's Center, which helps individuals with intellectual disabilities or developmental delays, pregnant women, young families, couples hoping to adopt, and people who require outpatient therapy. Currently, Mary serves on several boards of The Wright Center and co-chairs the Wonderful Women Program and the Wright Center Health Fair. She also serves on the boards of the American Red Cross, the NEPA Philharmonic League, LaFesta Italiana, and the UNICO Scranton chapter. She is a committee member of the Jim Minicozzi 5K Race, the Jermyn Lions Club, and she serves on the advisory boards for Meals on Wheels and the Scranton Cultural Center.

It is an honor to recognize Mary Marrara for receiving the Unican of the Year Award from Scranton UNICO. I am grateful for her commitment to the citizens of northeastern Pennsylvania. I hope that she will continue to work for the welfare of her neighbors and the improvement of her community.

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#### HONORING MR. CONRAD CONWAY

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### HON. BOB GIBBS

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 1, 2017*

Mr. GIBBS. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize Mr. Conrad Conway's brave service in the Navy during World War II. His fight to protect our freedoms and liberties is cherished by our entire nation.

Mr. Conway served in the Pacific Theater during the Second World War as a Signalman in the Navy. For his bravery in the line of duty,

Mr. Conway earned the Distinguished Service Cross and the Bronze Star. He and his fellow Seamen's service in the Pacific was documented in Life Magazine, a tribute to the heroes who fought imperialism.

When Mr. Conway returned to the United States, he worked for Cooper Industries in Mount Vernon, Ohio. A devoted member of the community, Mr. Conway served as City Council President for nearly 30 years and was deeply involved in several veterans associations. He is the proud father of nine children, several grandchildren, and even great-children.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the citizens of Ohio's 7th Congressional District, I would like to thank Conrad Conway for his service. Our country is forever indebted to the sacrifices he made to defend our freedoms.

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#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

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### HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 1, 2017*

Mr. BRADY of Texas. Mr. Speaker, on roll call no. 104, I was unavoidably detained to cast my vote in time. Had I been present, I would have voted YES.

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#### TRIBUTE TO JOHN LEDER

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### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 1, 2017*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate John Leder for being named a 2017 Forty Under 40 honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

Since 2000, Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of young leaders in the Greater Des Moines Area that are making an impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious honor based on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2017 class of Forty Under 40 honorees will join an impressive roster of 680 past business leaders and growing.

John is an account executive at Holmes Murphy and Associates, where he helps ensure clients get the best service available. But it is his family that truly drives him both professionally and personally. Their experience with his son Owen's challenges with cerebral palsy has caused John to focus much of his volunteer efforts on helping children with challenging medical conditions and their families. He has been active with Variety, The Children's Charity, Courage League Sports and Gillette Children's Specialty Hospital. He contributes in a number of ways, from sharing his experiences with other families, helping to raise money, and spreading awareness of adaptive fitness and wellness programs.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like John in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize him today for utilizing his talents to better both his community and the great state of