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ESTABLISHING THE ADAMS MEMORIAL COMMISSION

SPEECH OF

HON. STEVE CHABOT

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 23, 2018

Mr. CHABOT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 1220, which would establish the Adams Memorial Commission. As a former teacher and a history major from the College of William and Mary, our nation's second oldest college, I think we should do more to remember President John Adams. He was instrumental in our nation's founding and he is a central, if often overlooked, figure in American history.

John Adams—who served as our first Vice President and second President—was a statesman, lawyer, diplomat, political theorist, and leader in the campaign for American Independence. As a Member of both the First and Second Continental Congress, he became a leader in the movement for independence. During the Second Continental Congress, he nominated George Washington to lead the Continental Army, and is one of the most prominent signers of the Declaration of Independence, serving on the committee that helped Thomas Jefferson craft this monumental document. During and after the war, he served in numerous diplomatic posts in Europe. Along with Benjamin Franklin, he negotiated the Treaty of Paris that ended the Revolutionary War and solidified America's new independence. He also served in Holland during the war, and as our Ambassador to Britain following the war. Throughout his time serving the United States, President Adams remained true to his principles, and consistently fought for his beliefs.

Due to these immeasurable contributions, President Adams deserves to be more visibly honored among our nation's founders. H.R. 1220 recognizes his service by establishing a Commission to advance current efforts to build a memorial in his honor. I would urge my colleagues to support this legislation.

TRIBUTE TO DELLA AND CHARLES DAVIS

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 27, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Della and Charles Davis of Council Bluffs, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 70th wedding anniversary. They were married on July 10, 1948 in Des Moines, Iowa.

Della and Charles' lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa values. As they reflect on their 70th anniversary, I hope it is filled with happy memo-

ries. 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 them on this momentous occasion.

CONGRATULATING TUKWILA CITY COUNCILMEMBER JOE DUFFIE ON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. ADAM SMITH

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 27, 2018

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the achievements of Tukwila City Councilmember Joe Duffie, and congratulate him on his retirement from the Council after 35 years of unwavering service to his community.

Before serving on the Tukwila City Council, Duffie had already garnered an impressive list of accomplishments. In 1962, he was drafted into the U.S. Army and completed advanced infantry training as the most distinguished trainee of his Company. He served in Korea and earned the rank of Squad Leader. Shortly thereafter, Duffie went on to attend Command General Staff College where he achieved the rank of Staff Sergeant, went through Senior Non-Commissioned Officer training, and completed Command Sergeant Major Academy. After leaving Active military service Mr. Duffie maintained his positions as head custodian at Tukwila elementary school for two decades, served in the National Guard for thirty-one years, worked as a welder in a Seattle shipyard, and currently owns Duffie's—a home maintenance company with the slogan, "No Job is Too Small."

That slogan perfectly captures Joe Duffie. Since his election to the Tukwila City Council in 1981 by a four-to-one margin, he has been regarded as a man of the people. He is a tireless worker who selflessly gives out his personal phone number to any citizen who wants to reach him. He has constantly prioritized openness and transparency, and started a monthly tradition where Tukwila citizens have the opportunity to chat with their City Council representatives over coffee. His unique compassionate and personal approach to government will be missed.

One of Mr. Duffie's greatest passions is education. His efforts have helped make Tukwila public schools some of the most diverse and inclusive in the country. His unswerving advocacy for the youth of Tukwila has resulted in many of the city's students knowing him by name. On top of his work as a City Councilmember, he has lead a weekly running program for Tukwila's elementary school students.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to thank Joe Duffie for his decades of service on the Tukwila City Council. I congratulate him on a well-earned retirement, although I know that Mr. Duffie will never stop working to make the city of Tukwila a better place.

RECOGNIZING DR. GEORGE INGLETT ON HIS RESEARCH

HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 27, 2018

Mrs. BUSTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. George Inglett who is turning 90 years old. Dr. Inglett is a pillar in the Peoria community, and has advocated for a safer and healthier food supply at the National Center for Agricultural Utilization Research.

Dr. George Inglett is best known for the development of a family of food ingredients based on cereal glucans, known collectively as the Trim Technologies. His research on these ingredients has led to them being used as fat substitutes, fiber additives, texturizers, and emulsion stabilizers in many foods. In 2005, Dr. Inglett was chosen as one of the Laureates of the Lincoln Academy of Illinois, the highest honor the State of Illinois can bestow on a person who was born or has resided in Illinois for outstanding achievement. Over the course of his career Dr. Inglett has been presented numerous awards for his years of work in agricultural research.

It is because of dedicated and selfless leaders such as Dr. George Inglett that I am especially proud to serve Illinois 17th Congressional District. Mr. Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate Dr. George Inglett on his 90th birthday and thank him for all of his contributions and service to our community.

CONGRATULATING DIANE NARASAKI ON HER RETIREMENT

HON. ADAM SMITH

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 27, 2018

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Diane Narasaki, Executive Director of Asian Counseling and Referral Service (ACRS), on her retirement. Ms. Narasaki has served as the Executive Director of the ACRS for twenty-two years.

Diane Narasaki's commitment to help others began at a young age. As a teenager, she learned that her parents, Richard and Dorothy, were interned during World War II along with 120,000 other Americans of Japanese ancestry. Her parents', as well as others stories inspired Ms. Narasaki to stand up for victims of oppression and inequality—a mission that has defined her remarkable career.

After getting her Master's Degree from Seattle University's Master of Nonprofit Leadership program, she immediately set about making her mission happen. She spent two decades as a leader in her community, holding director-level positions at the Northwest Labor and Employment Law Office, the American Friends Service Committee, and the Wing Luke Asian Museum. In 1987, she helped overturn the conviction of Gordon Hirabayashi, a fellow Japanese American who was jailed for challenging the internment.

In 1995, Ms. Narasaki joined the Asian Counseling and Referral Service, which provides a wide variety of services to King County's Asian and Pacific Islander communities.

During her tenure as Executive Director, ACRS expanded its behavioral health and civic engagement programs. In addition, ACRS moved its headquarters to a larger facility in Rainier Valley, which allowed them to better serve the fastest growing racial group in King County. Today, ACRS has a staff of 250 people, a budget of \$13 million, and serves more than 26,000 people annually in over 40 languages and dialects.

Outside of running one of the oldest and largest pan-Asian Pacific American organizations in the United States, Ms. Narasaki's contributions to her community are numerous. She co-founded Washington State's Asian Pacific Islander Coalition, a network of local and community groups serving immigrants and refugees. She has chaired the Washington State Asian Pacific Directors Coalition and the Minority Executive Directors Coalition, and co-chaired the Asian Pacific Women's Caucus and the Seattle Community Police Commission. The U.S. Secretary of Health & Human Services appointed her to serve on SAMHSA's Center for Mental Health Services National Advisory Council. In 2005, the Ford Foundation named her as one of seventeen people in the country to receive the Leadership for Changing America award. She also helped organize the Asian Pacific American Legislative day, an event in which dozens of community groups join forces at the State Capitol in Olympia to voice their concerns to lawmakers.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I congratulate Diane Narasaki on her well-deserved retirement. Her story is an inspiration to all those who strive to serve their communities.

TRIBUTE TO PAT AND LYNN
SCHAAF

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 27, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Pat and Lynn Schaaf of Griswold, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 65th wedding anniversary. They were married on July 4, 1953.

Pat and Lynn's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa values. As they reflect on their 65th anniversary, I hope it is filled with happy memories. 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 65th year 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.

HONORING THE CENTENNIAL AN-
NIVERSARY OF CONGREGATION
B'NAI ISRAEL

HON. JOHN J. FASO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 27, 2018

Mr. FASO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate the centennial anniversary

of the founding of Congregation B'nai Israel in Fleischmanns, New York.

In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, Jewish immigrants began to move into the Catskills region, first to farm and later to enter the rapidly developing resort sector. Strong in their faith, a small group of Jewish farmers, merchants, and resort owners would meet regularly for Torah study. It was these intimate gatherings that laid the strong foundations for Congregation B'nai Israel to grow.

Congregation B'nai Israel was formally incorporated in 1918, and ground was broken on their synagogue only a few short years later. The synagogue is one of the oldest in the Catskills, and is listed on both the National and New York Register of Historic Places. Simple yet beautiful, with exposed trusses, a gabled roof, and unique Gothic and classical details, the synagogue's modest design serves as a reminder of the congregation's humble but inspiring beginnings.

The congregation has long served the spiritual needs of residents and continues to contribute to the area's vibrant societal and cultural fabric. This centennial anniversary marks a great milestone in the congregation's history and serves as an important time for reflection of the past and hope for the future. On behalf of the 19th Congressional District and the U.S. House of Representatives, I would like to extend my sincerest congratulations to Congregation B'nai Israel.

TRIBUTE TO EAGLE SCOUT
BENJAMIN P. MCKEE

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 27, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Benjamin P. McKee of Des Moines, Iowa for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. Benjamin is a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 43 in Urbandale.

The Eagle Scout designation is the highest advancement rank in scouting. Approximately 5 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. Benjamin has an exceptional record of community service. He has volunteered for Project A.W.A.R.E to help clean up the waterways in Iowa, led the Pledge of Allegiance at the Iowa State Fair for new American citizens, and his Eagle Scout project was raising funds for the Paws & Effect program, which funds service dogs in Iowa. The work ethic Benjamin has shown in his Eagle Project and every other project leading to his Eagle Scout rank speaks volumes of 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 demonstrates the rewards of hard work, dedication, and perseverance. I am honored to represent Benjamin and his family in the United States Congress. I know that all of my colleagues in the House of Representatives join me in congratulating him on obtaining the Eagle Scout ranking, and I wish him continued success in his future education and career.

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HONORING MR. GEORGE FRANCIS
RUPPENICKER, JR., ON HIS 90TH
BIRTHDAY

HON. TOM GRAVES

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 27, 2018

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. George Francis Ruppenicker, Jr. of Dallas, Georgia, on his 90th birthday.

Mr. Ruppenicker was born August 29, 1928, in Brooklyn, New York. He graduated from Mepharm High School in Bellmore, New York in 1946.

In July of 1946, Mr. Ruppenicker enlisted in the United States Navy and was stationed at the Naval Air Technical Training Center Radar School in Corpus Christi, Texas. He was honorably discharged in 1948.

After serving for two years, in 1948, Mr. Ruppenicker enrolled at Georgia Tech, majoring in textile engineering.

While being enrolled at Georgia Tech, Mr. Ruppenicker enlisted into the United States Naval Reserve. When the Korean War broke out in 1950, he was reactivated, and was honorably discharged in 1952, with the rank of Aviation Electronics Tech—Third Class.

After fulfilling his obligations during the Korean War, he reenrolled at Georgia Tech to finish his degree. While studying at Georgia Tech, he was employed by Lockheed Aircraft Company at Dobbins Air Force Base in Marietta.

After graduation, Mr. Ruppenicker married Miriam Evelyn Tatman on July 25, 1953. Together, they had four children.

After graduating from Georgia Tech in 1954, Mr. Ruppenicker went to work at the United States Department of Agriculture, Southern Regional Research Laboratory in New Orleans, Louisiana as a research engineer for cotton textiles. After a nearly 40-year career with USDA, he retired on December 31, 1993.

After 47 years of marriage, Miriam passed away in 2000. Mr. Ruppenicker remarried in 2003 to Patricia Ardrey Robinson.

Recently, Mr. Ruppenicker was recognized his 50 years of service as a member of the Square and Compass Freemason Lodge. Honor and integrity being the core of the Masonic belief system, Mr. Ruppenicker epitomizes these attributes.

A Boy Scout leader, Sunday school teacher at Dallas First United Methodist Church, hospital volunteer at WellStar Paulding and avid gardener, Mr. Ruppenicker is content on spending his days with family and friends and always eager to lend a helping hand.

I want to close by saying Happy 90th Birthday, George.

TRIBUTE TO EAGLE SCOUT
STEVEN HORNBERG

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 27, 2018

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