

and worked in the insurance industry. While she had considerable success as a businesswoman, she considers raising her children and making it on her own after the death of her husband her greatest accomplishment.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to represent Mayme Cohron in the United States Congress and it is my pleasure to wish her a very happy 100th birthday. I invite my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in congratulating Mayme on reaching this incredible milestone and in wishing her even more health and happiness in the years to come.

#### CONGRATULATING MASARYK TOWERS

#### HON. NYDIA M. VELÁZQUEZ

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 12, 2018*

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to extend my congratulations to Masaryk Towers on the special occasion of its 50th and 51st Anniversary Rededication ceremony.

This complex is more than brick and mortar. Built at the height of the Civil Rights movement, and three decades after the New Deal and the 1934 Federal Housing Act, the Masaryk Towers development is a symbol of vision, innovation and hope in the Lower East Side of Manhattan.

We all know and embrace the rich history of the Lower East Side from the arrival and settlement of hard working immigrants seeking freedom and the American Dream to the history of poor tenants living in crowded subpar tenements, with unsanitary and unsafe housing conditions.

From the 1900's to the present, government initiatives have sought to improve the quality of life for its citizens. In the 1930's, after the stock market crash, our nation had more than 12 million unemployed people, many of whom faced homelessness. This crisis pushed New Yorkers, especially immigrants, into decades of despair. After World War II, New York City saw a peak in population, but also a massive flight by the middle-income families, industries and businesses to the suburbs, leaving lower-income working families behind.

Recognizing a need to help address the housing crisis facing working families, New York State Representatives Senator MacNeil Mitchell and Assemblyman Alfred Lama created the Mitchell-Lama program in 1955. In 1967, Masaryk Towers was completed under the program and named after Tomas Masaryk, the first President of Czechoslovakia. Today, Masaryk Towers consists of more than 1,100 apartment units and is home to thousands of residents in Manhattan's Lower East Side community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating Masaryk Towers and its leadership: President Bernice McCallum, Board Officers Laura Pagan and Ted Reich and the entire Board on this special anniversary, and for their dedication and commitment to preserving Masaryk Towers for future generations.

#### HONORING THE WORLD WAR II AND KOREAN WAR VETERANS OF ILLINOIS

#### HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 12, 2018*

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the World War II and Korean War veterans who traveled to Washington, D.C. on August 8, 2018 with Honor Flight Chicago, a program that provides World War II and Korean War veterans the opportunity to visit their memorials on The National Mall in Washington, D.C. These memorials were built to honor their courage and service to their country.

The American Veteran is one of our greatest treasures. The Soldiers, Airmen, Sailors, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen who traveled here on August 8th answered our nation's call to service during one of its greatest times of need. From the European Campaign to the Pacific Asian Theatre to the African Theater, these brave Americans risked life and limb, gave service and sacrificed much, all while embodying what it is to be a hero. We owe them more gratitude than can ever be expressed.

I welcome these brave veterans to Washington and to their memorials. I am proud to include in the RECORD the names of these men and women for all to see, hear, and recognize, and I call on my colleagues to rise and join me in expressing gratitude.

Arthur Richard Adkins, Jesse G. Alvarez, Joseph L. Amendola, James Babakitis, Nicholas Bacoulis, Edward J. Barys, Walter F. Baxendale, Aldo Biagioni, Arthur J. Billings, James Bounardj, Edwin P. Brummel, Lawrence M. Buescher, William H. Buhle, Rosario Cali, Donald L. Campbell, John A. Caruso, Dwight A. Cooke, Mario J. Cortina, Gordon R. Deal, Owen B. Dehlinger, Harold A. Dickson, Felix F. Donofrio, Fernando M. Dorado, John H. Eichhorn, William C. Elliott, Gerson Bertram Field, Mitchell Filip, Fred F. Fisher, Seymour Fleischman, Ernest G. Frieders, Raymond J. Fron, Robert H. Garcia, Stanley Jack Gartenberg, Gunter H. Gehl, Charles M. George, John A. Georgeson, Phillip C. Goldstick, Miguel Gomez, Robert Good, Eugene J. Goworowski, Donald H. Gustafson, Richard H. Haen, Gunnar F. Hanson, Francis J. Haynes, Jack C. Hockett, John M. Hurley, Henry Jackson, Herbert Jacobsen, Irving Kaplan, Harvey L. Keim, Charles Kirian, Raymond Klemchuk, Leonard R. Koubenec, Donald H. Kraft, Eugene E. Kuffel, Harry Kuhrau, Buddy Walter Larsen, Floyd M. Liberatori, Raymond W. Loris, William J. Marich, Howard D. Maskill, John P. Meehan, Bernard Minarcik, Deane S. Moore, Stephen J. Moyerak, John C. Muno, Carl Olesen, Dale W. Olsen, Carl J. Oman, James A. Parker, Clifford Paulson, Joseph T. Phillips, Victor P. Pienkowski, Harry Rakowski, Enricko Roa, Joseph L. Rodriguez, Eddie Rollins, William Franklin Salkeld, George F. Schade, Fred G. Schreiber, Donald T. Sharko, Otto Soyk, Nick A. Stiso, Herbert W. Stoll, Carl E. Stomp, Stephen L. Strand, Frank Termini, Praxedis Rolando Trevino, Adrian D. Wood, Peter F. Zika.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF PVT. JAMES L. DISSPAIN

#### HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 12, 2018*

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the life of Pvt. James L. Disspain.

Pvt. Disspain of Lincoln, Alabama, served in World War I. He died on September 13th in France—just two months before Armistice Day.

September 13, 2018 will mark the 100th anniversary of his death. On September 11th, the City of Lincoln will proclaim a day in his honor and have a wreath laying ceremony at his gravesite on September 12th.

Family members will present an 'honor quilt' in Pvt. Disspain's memory that honors the 11 members of their family who have served in the military from World War I to Vietnam. The quilt is centered around Pvt. Disspain and his ultimate sacrifice.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring the life of this brave American hero, Pvt. James L. Disspain.

#### TRIBUTE TO ERIC TIERNAN

#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 12, 2018*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Eric Tiernan. He was recently honored as the 2018 Good Egg Days Citizen of the Year in Stuart, Iowa.

Born and raised in Stuart, Eric is known in the community for his innovative ideas that have made the town prosper. He has served on community boards and committees and most recently contributed to establishing the Fremont Theatre and the Wambold Housing Addition. Eric and his wife Margaret raised four children in Stuart and are proud and active grandparents to three grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize Eric Tiernan for this award, and for working hard to make Iowa a quality place to live. I am proud to represent him in the United States Congress and ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Eric and wishing him nothing but continued success.

#### SUPPORT BALANCE AWARENESS WEEK

#### HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 12, 2018*

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of my resolution in support of Balance Awareness Week and the related vestibular disorders.

The vestibular system includes the parts of the inner ear and brain that process the sensory information involved with controlling balance and eye movements.

As many as 35 percent of adults aged 40 years or older in the United States—approximately 69 million Americans—have experienced some form of vestibular dysfunction. According to the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD), a further 4 percent (8 million) of American adults report a chronic problem with balance, while an additional 1.1 percent (2.4 million) report a chronic problem with dizziness. Eighty percent of people aged 65 years and older have experienced dizziness, and BPPV, the most common vestibular disorder, is the cause of approximately 50 percent of dizziness in older people. Overall, vertigo from a vestibular problem accounts for one third of all dizziness and vertigo symptoms reported to health care professionals.

The most commonly diagnosed vestibular disorders include benign paroxysmal positional vertigo (BPPV), labyrinthitis and vestibular neuritis, Ménière's disease, secondary endolymphatic hydrops, and perilymph fistula. Vestibular disorders also include superior canal dehiscence, acoustic neuroma, ototoxicity, enlarged vestibular aqueduct syndrome, and mal de débarquement. Other problems related to vestibular dysfunction include vestibular migraine and complications from autoimmune disorders and allergies.

There is no cure for this disorder. The form of treatment prescribed for vestibular disorders depends upon symptoms, medical history and general health, a physical examination by a qualified doctor, and diagnostic test results. Treatment can include: vestibular rehabilitation therapy, canalith repositioning maneuvers, home-based exercise, dietary adjustments, counseling, medication or surgery.

Because of difficulties posed by accurately diagnosing and reporting vestibular disorders, statistics estimating how common they are, how often they occur, and what social impacts they have range widely. Yet even the lowest estimates reflect the fact that vestibular disorders occur frequently and can affect people of any age.

Vestibular disorders not only profoundly affect adults, but also children. Once thought to be exceptionally rare, pediatric vestibular disorders are receiving increasing attention from clinicians as an overlooked problem. In addition to impairments of motor development and balance, vestibular deficits may cause poor gaze stability that inhibits children from learning to read. Despite new awareness of pediatric vestibular disorders, children are currently not typically screened for them, and as a result frequently fail to receive medical treatment for their symptoms.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage all Members to join me in supporting the third week of September as Balance Awareness Week.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO RICHARD "SKIP" ARMSTRONG

#### HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate a good friend of mine, Richard "Skip" Armstrong, for his 51 years in the workforce.

After more than five decades in the workforce, Skip retired on August 31, 2018, from

Maranatha Village in Springfield, Missouri, where he was the Director of Facilities and Capital Projects.

However, Skip's career began long before his time with Maranatha Village. At the age of 16, Skip began working in the hen houses of Lubec, Maine. Once he turned 17, he began working at North Lubec Manufacturing and Canning Company. Skip spent many years working in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for Cardo Automotive Products and as an independent building contractor in the city. He even started his own small business, LTD Parts, in Sparta, Tennessee, which is still in operation today. As the years passed, Skip worked all across the U.S., including Maine, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and then finally, Missouri.

Skip has been much more than a hard-working employee through the years. He is the cherished only son of the late Lewis "Duke" and Florence Armstrong. He has been a loving husband of 43 years to Deborah Armstrong, and a devoted father of three daughters, Janine, Jennifer and Julia, and a father-in-law to two of the best son-in-laws around, Mark and David. His grandchildren, Greyson, Charlotte, Graham and Lincoln simply can't wait to see more of Pappy in the coming years.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the 7th District of Missouri, I would like to say thank you to Skip for his years of hard work and commitment to southwest Missouri as well as his friendship. Fifty-one years is a long time and something worth celebrating.

#### HONORING SERGEANT FIRST CLASS RUFUS LLOYD KETCHUM

#### HON. SEAN P. DUFFY

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. DUFFY. Mr. Speaker, I proudly rise today to honor Sergeant First Class Rufus Lloyd Ketchum, an Army veteran of the Korean War killed in action at age 38 in the battle of Chosin.

Sergeant Ketchum honorably served in the Italian campaign of World War II and re-enlisted in the United States Army's 7th Infantry Division as a medic. On December 6, 1950, he was reported missing in action after an intense battle.

In 1952, Mrs. Dorothy Ketchum accepted on behalf of her husband the nation's second-highest military award, the Distinguished Service Cross. The citation honored Sergeant First Class R. Lloyd Ketchum's "extraordinary heroism in action against an enemy army." For his leadership and valor, his partial list of awards include the Purple Heart, Bronze Star, National Defense Service Medal and Army Commendation Medal.

Through DNA testing, Sergeant Ketchum's remains were accounted for on April 23, 2018. Sergeant First Class Ketchum was laid to rest at the Calvary Cemetery in Superior, Wisconsin on August 14, 2018 with full military honors.

On behalf of the residents of the 7th Congressional District of Wisconsin, I would like to thank the family of Sergeant Ketchum for his service to our grateful nation and his ultimate sacrifice during the Korean War. Welcome home, Sergeant First Class Ketchum.

#### TRIBUTE HONORING REVEREND COLUMBUS EWING

#### HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following Proclamation:

Whereas, the Almighty God has called to his eternal rest the Reverend Columbus Ewing, Pastor of Community Fellowship Baptist Church; and

Whereas, prior to organizing Community Fellowship, Reverend Ewing was a longtime loyal assistant to Reverend Matthew Thomas who organized the Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church where my wife's aunt, Aunt Hattie Harrell was one of the first fourteen members and my dear friend Mrs. Earline Lindsey and Deacon Davis may have been the persons who introduced me to Reverend Ewing; and

Whereas, Reverend Ewing was a Precinct Captain and political worker in the 37th Ward; and

Whereas, Reverend Ewing organized Community Fellowship and I was privileged to attend his first banquet; and

Whereas, Reverend Ewing and Community Fellowship have always opened their doors and been a part of community events, political meetings and everything I have been involved with to benefit the community for all of these many years; and

Whereas, Reverend Ewing loved and nourished all of his family, his wonderful wife Emma, all of his children, grandchildren and other relatives, he pointed out their achievements all of the time. I would not say that he had favorites but he was extremely proud of church and community activist, teacher, principal, Doctor, Reverend, Pastor Shirley Ewing of Community Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church; and

Whereas, both Reverend Ewing and I liked to eat and we shared many a meal together, both at the church and soul food restaurants throughout the city;

Therefore, we extend our condolences to Reverend Dr. Shirley Ewing, the Ewing Family and the Community Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church.

#### TRIBUTE TO IRENE AND ROGER FRANCIS

#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Irene and Roger Francis of Creston, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married on June 22, 1968 in Osceola, Iowa.

Irene and Roger's lifelong commitment to each other truly embodies our Iowa 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 50th year together and I wish them