Over his life of work and community service, Jim Camp has distinguished himself as a man who always put the needs of others first. We have known Jim as a humble servant to Bakersfield-a man who never sought credit or recognition, but always had his community's best interest in mind. He is a giver-pure and simple—a man with a heart of gold with an insatiable desire to enrich the lives of others. That's a rare quality to come by, and our community is a better place because of Jim and his love for the people of Bakersfield. His efforts have measurably changed the Kern County community for the better, and one would be hard pressed to find a person worthier of the designation of 'Man of the Year' than Jim Camp.

CITY OF ORANGE FIRE CHIEF JACK THOMAS

## HON. MIMI WALTERS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 20, 2018

Mrs. MIMI WALTERS of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Jack Thomas on his recent retirement from the City of Orange Fire Department.

Chief Thomas, who served the City of Orange for thirty years, began his long and impressive career journey as a volunteer in the Fire Explorer program.

After joining the City of Orange Fire Department in 1988, he quickly rose through the ranks to become Fire Chief in 2015.

As a first responder to some of the worst natural disasters in recent history, Chief Thomas has proudly served communities throughout the country, including the City of New Orleans during Hurricane Katrina in 2005, Los Angeles County during the 2009 Station Fire, and most recently, Orange County during the 2017 Canyon 2 Fire.

Please join me in thanking Chief Thomas for the many selfless contributions he has made to the City of Orange, the State of California, and our Nation.

I wish him the absolute best as he begins the next great chapter of his life.

COMMENDING MRS. LALANIA S. VAUGHN FOR 20 YEARS OF SERVICE AT TIPTON-ROSEMARK ACADEMY

# HON. DIANE BLACK

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 20, 2018

Mrs. BLACK. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to commend Mrs. Lalania S. Vaughn for 20 years of service at Tipton-Rosemark Academy (TRA) as the Director of Fine Arts. In a career spanning two decades, Mrs. Vaughn has directed over 27 shows for the TRA Theatre Department and led the TRA choir to three Overall National Winner Awards in the Festivals of Music.

In addition to teaching, Mrs. Vaughn has been selected five times as Outstanding Music Educator in Tennessee by the Tennessee Governor's School for the Arts, served as President of the West Tennessee Vocal Music

Educators Association in 2014 to 2016, and is a four time nominee for the Orpheum's Theater "Outstanding Musical Direction Award," winning in 2016.

Her desire to impact her community continues to extend beyond the halls of TRA, as she is a seasoned member of the National Association for Music Education and participates as a key soloist for Bellevue Baptist Church.

It is due to the passion of servants like Mrs. Vaughn that young people across our country are equipped with the tools to follow their own dreams. I thank her today for her accomplishments and dedication to Tennessee.

RECOGNIZNG THE SERVICE OF ROBERT "BOB" SEWELL

# HON. MARK DeSAULNIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 20, 2018

Mr. DESAULNIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Robert "Bob" Sewell, Business Manager of Plumbers and Steamfitters UA Local 159 in Martinez, a respected member of the community, for being recognized as the Labor Leader of the Year.

Bob joined Plumbers and Steamfitters UA Local 159 in July 1979, where he went on to complete his apprenticeship in June 1984. He later had a long career at Lescure Company Incorporated, where he served as a foreman, general foreman, and field superintendent.

In addition to his daily responsibilities on the job. Bob served on the Craftsman Committee. and later on the union's Executive Board. On top of his leadership positions, Bob taught classes at Local 159, specifically in medical gas installation to journeymen and apprentices. In 2002, the members of UA Local 159 recognized his dedication and elected him to serve as the union's Assistant Business Manager and Financial Secretary-Treasurer.

In 2009, Bob served as Recording Secretary for the Contra Costa Building Trades and was instrumental in securing Project Labor Agreements in the region, which have provided prevailing wage jobs and apprenticeship opportunities to local residents.

His skill and service as a leader have benefited his fellow union members of Plumbers and Steamfitters UA Local 159, and the community. Bob's dedication to his job, his family, and his community as a lifelong Contra Costa resident is admirable. I congratulate him on this award and thank him for his dedication to our shared mission of promoting the rights of American workers.

MASTER HONORING SERGEANT CHAD M. SHIFFLET, U.S. AIR FORCE, ON HIS RETIREMENT AFTER 24 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMER-

# HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 20, 2018

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, today I offer my heartfelt congratulations to Chad M. Shifflet, a resident of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, on his retirement upon 24 years of selfless service to the United States of America.

Master Sergeant Shifflet currently serves as the Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of Operations and Training at the 193rd Special Operations Security Squadron. He entered the United States Air Force in 1994, and served in numerous assignments and deployments over his distinguished career.

In November 1994, Master Sergeant Shifflet was assigned to the 377th Security Forces Squadron at Kirtland Air Force Base from November 1994 to 1998. Following his exemplary commitment to service, he joined the Department of Corrections in July 1998, and went on to enlist in the Pennsylvania Air National Guard (PaANG) in August 1999. Master Sergeant Shifflet was selected to serve on fulltime military duty in the PaANG's Active Guard & Reserve force in January 2000.

MSgt Shifflet's numerous commendations and awards-which include the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal, Commendation Medal, Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters, to name a few-are a testament to his steadfast courage, personal integrity, unwavering work ethic, and impeccable character. His enduring legacy of service to our Nation is exceptional and sets the standard for all to follow.

On behalf of Pennsylvania's Fourth Congressional District, I commend and congratulate my fellow Brother-in-Arms. Master Sergeant Chad M. Shifflet, upon his retirement and for his tireless and selfless service to the United States of America.

FORT BEND COUNTY MOURNS THE LOSS OF DEPUTY CHIEF (RET.) KEVIN CRESS

# HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, September 20, 2018

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mourn and celebrate the life of Deputy Chief (Ret) Kevin Cress of Fort Bend County's Emergency Medical Service (FBCEMS) team.

Deputy Chief Kress worked for the FBCEMS for many years as a part-time paramedic before transitioning to full time in 1981. Kevin was promoted to Deputy Chief in 1984 and remained in that position until he retired in 2013. Deputy Kress completed over 35 years combined years of service at FBCEMS. He will receive full EMS honors at his visitation and memorial service. The Fort Bend community is humbled and grateful to Deputy Chief Kress for his outstanding commitment to service.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, we say goodbye to a valued public servant. Deputy Cress will be an example for future generations to come, and will be missed deeply. We wish him fair winds and following seas.

TRIBUTE TO CAROLE CHAMBERS

#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, September 20, 2018

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

Chambers, President and CEO of the West Des Moines Chamber of Commerce, for being named a 2018 Women of Influence honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

For 19 years, the Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of women who have made a significant difference in business, civic, and philanthropic endeavours throughout the Greater Des Moines Area.

Carole Chambers works diligently in West Des Moines to promote and help businesses succeed. She is also passionate about mentoring young professionals and assisting them to make wise business decisions. She is especially eager to help women and works with organizations like lowa Women Lead Change and Metrowide Mentoring for Woman. She is active with the lowa Association of Business and Industry, Community Connect, and with her church, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Carole Chambers 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 lowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratuating Carole on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing Ms. Chambers the very best.

RECOGNIZING THE 90TH ANNIVER-SARY OF HAYLOR, FREYER & COON

#### HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, September 20, 2018

Mr. KATKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the 90th anniversary of Haylor, Freyer & Coon, a small business in my district providing insurance assistance to residents across Upstate New York.

Haylor, Freyer & Coon was founded in 1928 when Barney E. Haylor and James McLusky opened a small four-person agency at the Herald Building in Syracuse, New York. Following the passing of Mr. McLusky, Barney Haylor partnered with Clayton F. Freyer in 1946 and Douglas Coon shortly after to establish the corporation that exists today. As time progressed, HF&C began to expand its presence by partnering with other local agencies across the state. Following the establishment of its Northern Divisions in 1984, Haylor, Freyer, & Coon grew to become the largest independently owned insurance agency in the state.

Today, Haylor, Freyer & Coon remains a leader within the insurance industry of Central New York. It has also been ISO 9001 certified by the International Standards Organization, which recognizes the agency's quality management principles and its strong customer focus. Staffed with a team of approximately 180 employees and 6 corporate offices, HF&C continues to be a valuable institution in the Central New York community.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House to join me in celebrating Haylor, Freyer & Coon's go years of service to the state of

New York. As one of the top 100 independently owned insurance agencies in the United States, HF&C continues to stay true to the principles it was found upon nine decades ago.

# HONORING COMMUNITY CHAMPION ELIZABETH LAMPKINS

# HON. MIKE KELLY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, September 20, 2018

Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize one of my constituents from Western Pennsylvania, Mrs. Elizabeth Lampkins. Elizabeth has been employed with the Shenango Valley Urban League since 1974 and has served as the director of the Woman, Infants, and Children program (WIC) since 1978. Elizabeth has spent the past 44 years selflessly serving others and building a legacy that is absolutely admirable. Although her successful career is coming to an end as Elizabeth is retiring, her efforts will continue to benefit the community for years to come.

Elizabeth is the beloved widow of Marion Lampkins, as well as a proud mother of three and a doting grandmother to five. In 1961, Elizabeth graduated from Choffin School of Practical Nursing and received additional certification from St. Elizabeth Hospital in Youngstown, Ohio. In 1974, following a lifethreatening illness, Elizabeth began volunteering at the former Community Medical Education & Screening Center in order to help them create a program to address Sickle Cell.

After just one month of volunteering, Elizabeth was hired as a secretary and from that point forward she continuously advanced the program and her career. Elizabeth worked her way up from volunteer to secretary to counselor to coordinator and, ultimately, all the way to director. Being appointed as the Director of the WIC & Sickle Cell program was the start of the most rewarding endeavor of Elizabeth's career. She proudly took on the leadership role and always maintained her focus on "service first," which earned respect and admiration from colleagues at the Shenango Valley Urban League.

The Shenango Valley Urban League, which is proudly celebrating their 50th anniversary, is an organization that welcomes, empowers, and encourages all citizens and provides vital services to those in need. Elizabeth is the oldest employee at the Shenango Valley Urban League in both age and tenure, and she has proudly served under every Executive Director or President since the inception of the organization. Throughout her career, Elizabeth has worked tirelessly to advance the WIC program and ensure it continues to prosper and provide. In every role, in every effort, Elizabeth has displayed unparalleled integrity, dignity, and strength.

In addition to her loyalty to the WIC program, Elizabeth has actively participated in various civic organizations and advisory boards, making community service an integral part of her life. Elizabeth's expertise and participation has been beneficial to the following: Prince of Peace Center, Teen Parenting Advisory Board, United Way Budget Panel, Minority Health Advocacy Committee, Pennsylvania WIC Association, Mercer County Children &

Youth Services, Mercer County Family Centers, and Mercer County Comprehensive Health Planning Council.

Due to her noteworthy accomplishments, Elizabeth has been honored by many, including the Shenango Valley Urban League, National Urban League, Pennsylvania Association of WIC Directors, Pennsylvania Department of Health, and the Shenango Valley Women's Auxiliary. Furthermore, Elizabeth is an active member of the Second Baptist Church in Sharpsville where she has participated in various committees, choirs, circles, and also served as financial secretary and Sunday school treasurer. In every role, in every effort, Elizabeth has been an exemplary public servant and leader.

Elizabeth has been a catalyst for improvement throughout the community and her passion and dedication deserves praise. She is a leader in the truest sense of the word and a role model for those who are privileged to know her. Elizabeth has set a standard of excellence and generosity that will inspire others for generations to come and it is my honor to congratulate her on a distinguished career and a well-earned retirement.

Therefore, on behalf of the 3rd Congressional District, the State of Pennsylvania, and this nation, I would like to express sincere gratitude and appreciation to Elizabeth Lampkins—an extraordinary individual, a noble public servant, and a true Community Champion.

### GWYNITH (GWYN) GREEN

## HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Thursday,\,September\,20,\,2018$ 

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Gwynith (Gwyn) Green, a great Coloradan and wife, mother and grandmother.

Gwyn Green was born on November 21, 1938 in New Orleans, LA. She died peacefully in her home September 12, 2018 after a long battle with ALS. She was married to her husband Daniel for 56 years and had four children, Laura, Kevin (Barb), Mark (Mary Ann), and Benjamin (Julie), 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

In 1961, Gwyn graduated from St. Mary's College in South Bend, Indiana. She went on to receive her Master's in Social Work from the University of Denver in 1984. For more than 40 years, she served numerous populations of people in Colorado through her social work. She was an active member of the League of Women Voters, particularly with sustainability and children's issues. Gwyn was very active with the National Association of Social Workers and the Alliance for Retired Americans, working with these organizations for many decades. Her dedication and passion for social justice issues throughout her time as a social worker was inspiring.

Gwyn was also very active in public service in Colorado, serving on the Golden City Council for three years. In 2004, she ran for State Representative in House District 23 and won her seat. She served in the State legislator from 2004 to 2009 before stepping down to spend more time with her family. During her time at the State Capitol, she quickly became