immigrants came together. The bakery was intended as a gathering place for the community, producing traditional Chinese pastries and cookies not found locally.

Using generation-old recipes, the Chan family's first bakery highlighted its almond cookies, which it sold to Chinese restaurants and stores. Founders Fung Chow (F.C.) Chan and his wife Waihing were proud to offer the treats to everyone. Soon thereafter, F.C.'s brother, Lun, joined the bakery, and the bakery's offerings began to include what has become its trademark fresh strawberry whipped cream cake, consisting of two sponge layers with strawberries in between and covered with a fluffy, lightly sweetened whipped cream frosting.

It was not until the 1970s, however, that Phoenix Bakery became famous throughout Los Angeles for being a little Chinese bakery making this "not so Chinese" cake. In 1977, with business flourishing, the Chan family moved from Chinatown's Central Plaza to a custom-built bakery on North Broadway, where it remains today.

Catering both to the local population celebrating birthdays and to the thriving businesses operating downtown, Phoenix Bakery cakes began to become traditions. Lun's son, Youlen, eventually took over production, and Phoenix Bakery continued to thrive as he expanded the offerings of sweets and confections. The almond cookies, Sticky Sugar Butterflies, and Wintermelon cakes it sells have made traditional Chinese pastries household favorites. Its selection of pastries also includes a blend of eclairs, tarts, and specialty cake slices made daily.

Today, members of the Chan family's third generation can be found in various roles at the bakery, alongside loyal employees who have helped the Phoenix Bakery family grow through the years. According to a July 14, 2018 Los Angeles Times article by reporter Frank Shyong, many of the Chans "have stepped up to help keep the bakery alive. Eric, a finance executive with Kaiser Permanente, serves on the bakery's managing board and launched a review of its finances. Melissa, Lun's granddaughter, runs the bakery's Facebook and Instagram accounts. Tiffany, Fung Chow's granddaughter, helped build the website and makes marketing suggestions. And Andrea Purcell, Fung Chow's oldest granddaughter, now brings her son and daughter to help at the bakery."

Over the decades, Phoenix Bakery has brightened many birthdays, weddings, and celebrations. The bakery prides itself on maintaining a loyal following of customers, and it continues to welcome new friends with its quality, delicious products.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to please join me in celebrating the Phoenix Bakery's 80th anniversary, and wishing it many more years of providing, in its words, "Sweets for the Sweet."

IN RECOGNITION OF BETSY COHN

#### HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

 $\label{eq:of_new_york}$  In the house of representatives

Tuesday, October 2, 2018

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Betsy Cohn,

a leader and activist who has made a difference on the national stage. Ms. Cohn has been an advertising and marketing executive, a stalwart of Democratic politics and an outspoken feminist who has worked to elect women to office. On October 1, 2018, she celebrated her 80th birthday.

Betsy Cohn has broken through glass ceilings and reached down for others to follow. She had an extraordinary career in marketing and public relations, starting in the Mad Men era when few women succeeded in becoming executives. She worked for some of the most iconic movie and television studios, heading departments and making significant contributions to the entertainment industry.

Born Betsy Levitt, Ms. Cohn attended Syracuse University. In 1959, she was hired as a secretary at Kenyon & Eckhardt Advertising, where her talents were recognized, and she rose to become Head of Casting and then Director of Public Relations.

In 1975, seeking an opportunity to have a bigger impact, Ms. Cohn left the advertising firm to become Director of Marketing (Non-Theatrical) at Paramount Pictures. She became a Consultant for Showtime from 1977 to 1982, and then joined MGM/UA as Director of Pay TV where she remained until her retirement in 1986.

In addition to her professional experience, Ms. Cohn has given generously of her time and attention to some of New York's greatest cultural and civic institutions. She has served on the advisory board of the Maxwell School of Citizenship at Syracuse and the New York State Tourism Advisory Organization. She is on the Central Park Conservancy Women's Committee; on the Lincoln Center Theater's Patron Committee; on the development committee board of Jazz at Lincoln Center; on the board and executive committee of New Dramatists; and a Co-Chair of the Chairman's Council of New York Historical Society.

Ms. Cohn's deep knowledge and understanding America's cultural institutions were recognized when she was appointed by President Bill Clinton to the President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities, a committee established to advise the President, the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities on ways to promote private sector support for, especially at the state and local level.

A longtime political activist, Ms. Cohn has been deeply involved in Democratic politics, and especially interested in helping women win. She served as Executive Vice President of the Women's Leadership Forum of the Democratic National Committee. When Hillary Clinton ran for Senate, Ms. Cohn was Vice Chair of Finance for her campaign. She was the co-creator of the Tri-State Maxed-Out Women's Committee for Hillary Clinton (2006 to 2008), which held information sessions and brought well-known leaders to speak with women who had been major donors to Hillary Clinton's Presidential campaign. Ms. Cohn then created the Tristate Women's Maxed-Out Committee (2010 to present) whose political action committee supports Démocratic women running for the U.S. House or Senate. Ms. Cohn also serves on the Board of Eleanor's Legacy, which raises funds for Democratic women in New York State.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating the extraordinary contributions of Betsy Cohn, who has created opportunities for women to become leaders.

COMMEMORATING THE LIFE OF ROBERT TERRY

#### HON. PRAMILA JAYAPAL

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 2, 2018

Ms. JAYAPAL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of longtime Seattle resident, Mr. Robert Terry, who recently passed away at the age of 91. Mr. Terry became the first black man to teach in Seattle Public Schools in 1950, four years before the historic Brown v. Board of Education decision that banned states from segregating schools by race.

Raised by his grandmother, Ella Trice, Mr. Terry began his long life in education at Greenwood Elementary School in La Grande, Oregon. After graduating from high school, he served in the Navy in World War II. He then returned to live with his grandmother while attending the University of Oregon, earning a degree in Education from Eastern Oregon College in 1950. He later earned a master's degree in Student Personnel from Seattle University.

Mr. Terry built a long and distinguished career in the Seattle School District, as President of Seattle Central Community College and then Chancellor of the Seattle Community College System. He also gained deep respect in his Mount Baker neighborhood community, where he resided since 1962. A football fan and athlete himself, he mentored young players in his neighborhood as he drove them to practice—truly exemplifying what it means to be a dedicated educator in and outside the classroom.

I would like to commemorate Mr. Terry's lifetime of achievements, his decades of service to our community and his work to lift up young students long marginalized by inequities in education. My heart is with his loving family and friends. He will be long remembered and deeply missed.

# CELEBRATING THE 107TH NATIONAL DAY OF TAIWAN

#### HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday,  $October\ 2$ , 2018

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to extend to the Government and the people of Taiwan congratulations on the 107th National Day of Taiwan.

As a vibrant democracy and strong contributor to the global economy, Taiwan plays an important role in the peace and security of the Asia-Pacific region.

Since its formation, Taiwan has rapidly industrialized and now has become a model economy for many countries.

Even more important than its economic achievements, Taiwan has developed into a strong and vibrant democracy.

Taiwan is a valued member of the community of civilized nations, even though it is burdened with particular and unique diplomatic challenges—challenges which the Taiwanese people and government have met with courage and grace.

Taiwan remains important to the United States in its advocacy of true democratic values across the world and its success in sustaining a dynamic multi-party system revealing its commitment to protecting political rights and freedoms.

In troubled times such as these, it is also gratifying to know that there are countries that continue to put forth efforts that provide constructive solutions for highly divisive issues.

The bond between the United States and Taiwan, cemented by the Taiwan Relations Act and the Six Assurances, remains strong.

I reaffirm those bonds today, and again congratulate the people of Taiwan on this important occasion.

INTRODUCTION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS HOME RULE ACT

#### HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 2, 2018

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduce the District of Columbia Public-Private Partnerships Home Rule Act. This bill would clarify the District of Columbia's authority to enter into public-private partnerships (P3s), like other jurisdictions in the United States. This bill makes it clear that the federal Anti-Deficiency Act (ADA), which uniquely applies to the District, does not prohibit the District from entering into P3s. This bill provides legal certainty that the District may enter into multiyear contracts to design, construct, improve, maintain, operate, manage and/or finance projects procured pursuant to a local D.C. law. the Public-Private Partnership Act of 2014. The District recently began the procurement process for its first-ever P3s: rehabilitating the Metropolitan Police Department headquarters (Henry J. Daly Building) and modernizing streetlights.

Federal law potentially limits the authority of only one jurisdiction, the District of Columbia, to enter into P3s. The federal government, many states and other countries have used P3 s. There is no reason that the District should not be able to take advantage of this option. Among other benefits, P3s will free up District funds for pressing needs, such as education and health care, that would otherwise be spent on infrastructure.

The federal ADA prohibits the federal and D.C. governments from obligating or expending funds in advance or in excess of an appropriation. If the District could use P3s, it would not have to appropriate all the funds upfront, freeing up funds for the District to spend on other matters. An ADA violation may occur if the District terminates a P3 contract. Under P3 contracts, the District would make payments on an annual basis over the life of a contract, and the District would appropriate the funds for such payments annually. However, upon termination, the District would have to pay all the costs incurred up to that point, but would not yet have appropriated all the funds for such payments, potentially causing an ADA violation.

Under D.C. law,

a 'public-private partnership' means the method in the District for delivering a qualified project using a long-term, performancebased agreement between a public entity and a private entity or entities where appropriate risks and benefits can be allocated in a cost-effective manner between the public and private entities in which:

(A) A private entity performs functions normally undertaken by the government, but the public entity remains ultimately accountable for the qualified project and its public function; and

(B) The District may retain ownership or control in the project asset and the private entity may be given additional decision-making rights in determining how the asset is financed, developed, constructed, operated, and maintained over its life cycle.

This bill is an important step to increase home rule for the District, and I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

MARY ELLEN TRAIL ROSS EARNS GOLD MEDAL FROM GOOD SA-MARITAN FOUNDATION

### HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, October 2, 2018

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mary Ellen Trail Ross, Dr. P.H., M.S.N., R.N. of Fort Bend County, who was awarded a gold medal from the Good Samaritan Foundation.

Ross began her teaching career at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHealth) Cizik School of Nursing 30 years ago. She has taught 17 different courses. Her work has helped students and faculty alike. Her dedication has resulted in a gold medal in the "Nursing Education: Faculty" category at the Good Samaritan Foundation's 2018 "Excellence in Nursing" Awards ceremony. Nurses are nominated by their peers for exemplifying excellence in teaching, mentoring and leadership. Ross credits the foundation in helping her achieve her own goals, as she received their scholarship funds during her time as a graduate student. She is passionate about educating future nurses.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Mary Ellen Trail Ross for earning a gold medal from the Good Samaritan Foundation. Her contributions to the field of medicine as well education make our community proud.

TRIBUTE TO BUDDY SCOTTO

# HON. NYDIA M. VELÁZQUEZ

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 2, 2018

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Buddy Scotto, a longtime friend, community member and local leader from Carroll Gardens, Brooklyn. For decades, Buddy's commitment to serving the community he loves has led many neighbors and friends to nickname him as the unofficial Mayor of Carroll Gardens.

Buddy's family came to Carroll Gardens as Italian immigrants to Brooklyn. The family quickly became known in the community as they started a funeral-home business, a wine business, and later, four movie theaters.

After graduating from the original St. Francis College, Buddy served in the Korean War.

When his parents were nearing retirement, Buddy returned home to obtain his Funeral Directors License. When many of his peers were leaving Brooklyn for suburbs in Long Island, Buddy's deep sense of connection to Brooklyn and care for his community led him to become a champion for local causes.

Among his many areas of advocacy, Buddy has fought for affordable housing for seniors and low-income families, while also advocating to clean up the Gowanus Canal. In 1971, he founded the Carroll Gardens Association which helps advocate for affordable housing and local business growth. In 1978, Buddy founded the Gowanus Canal Community Development Corporation, a non-profit focused on revitalizing the canal, organizing public meetings and expanding affordable housing. He also helped found the Eileen Dugan Senior Center, an important anchor for the community

On the very special occasion of his 90th birthday this year, I would like to thank Buddy for everything he has done and continues to do for the Carroll Gardens community. The neighborhood would not be the same without him

THE RETIREMENT OF VICE ADMIRAL DAVID JOHNSON, USN

## HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, October 2, 2018

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize and congratulate an outstanding Naval Officer, Vice Admiral David C. Johnson, for the successful completion of 36 years of distinguished Naval service, culminating with his position as the Principal Military Deputy for the Assistant Secretary of the Navy Research, Development and Acquisition. I commend Vice Admiral Johnson on his achievements and recognize his devotion to our great nation.

A 1982 graduate of the United States Naval Academy, Admiral Johnson earned his Engineering Duty Officer Dolphins in 1986 and graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1989 with a Naval Engineer degree and a Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering. He has devoted most of his career to the design, construction, repair, maintenance, modernization and sustainment of the nation's submarine force. During his career, he served as the Program Executive Officer for Submarines, the Commander for the Naval Undersea Warfare Center, the Deputy Commander for Undersea Technology, the Major Program Manager for Virginia Class Submarines, an Assistant Program Manager for Seawolf Class Submarines, the Program Manager's Representative at the new construction shipyard, a Project Officer, a Ship Superintendent and as Planning and Docking Officer.

During Admiral Johnson's tour as Program Executive Officer for Submarines, he managed over \$50 billion in funding across the Future Years Defense Plan for the research, design, acquisition and in-service support of the Navy's undersea force. In addition to accepting delivery of five Virginia Class submarines ahead of schedule and under cost, he led the Defense Department's highest priority acquisition program, the *Columbia* Class ballistic missile submarine, through critical development