

As a member of the 6th District Manufacturing Advisory Committee, Jody regularly met with my team to discuss emerging manufacturing issues that are impacting Indiana. He is also a community leader and employer at Batesville Tool and Die in Ripley County. Our state is better off today because of Jody's extraordinary leadership and service.

I also want to thank Jody for his support of my work in Congress. He is a good man and one of my favorite people from the 6th District. I wish him continued success in all that God has planned for him and his family.

**HONORING THE LIFE OF EVELYNN  
BELLE TURBEVILLE WARE**

**HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 27, 2018*

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to honor the life of Mrs. Evelyn Belle Turbeville Ware. As a constituent of Hillsboro, Virginia, Belle devoted her life to her family and public service. She was dedicated to her beloved husband, John, and together they raised four children. Belle is survived by daughter: Vicki Ware Albert and her husband Charles; daughter Paige Ware Petro and her husband Mark; son John Ware; son Mark Ware and his wife Amie; 10 grandchildren: Jeremy Barry, Lindsay Albert, Kendall Albert, Morgan Petro, Chris Petro, Jordan Ware, Jackson Ware, Evan Ware, Matthew Ware, and Nathan Ware; and 2 great grandchildren: Owen Barry and Kyle Barry.

Belle was a long-time resident of Hillsboro, Virginia having moved there with her parents and sister during the end of World War II. After they married, Belle and John moved to a tiny house in town where they lived while restoring a Victorian farmhouse they purchased in Hillsboro. Belle was one of the founding members of what is now the Short Hill Historical Society and helped save the Old Stone School from demolition. She served as an active member of this non-profit for 42 years and was most fond of the Christmas in Hillsboro Historic Homes Tour. Belle had a drive and a passion to support the people and causes she held dear.

Following in the footsteps of her mother who was the first female mayor in the Commonwealth of Virginia, she devoted her entire life to a career as a public servant who profoundly impacted our community. Belle served on the Hillsboro Town Council and for many years, she was the Town Treasurer, ultimately becoming Hillsboro's Vice Mayor. Belle was also a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and each year recognized an elementary school student at Hillsboro with the DAR award. Belle's heart was sincere in her service to the community, and her legacy serves as inspiration for others in public service.

Belle was enthusiastic about serving the Lord as member of the congregation of the Hillsboro United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women's Group. Belle sang in the choir and was instrumental in many volunteer efforts through the church which included making apple butter, raising money

through a yard sale, helping prepare and serve the annual freewill offering holiday dinner, packaging and donating meals for local families in need, hosting the annual church picnic, and helping with a local food bank. Belle also built her life working at a medical practice for thirty years before retiring.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to join me as we recognize the extraordinary life and legacy of Mrs. Evelyn Belle Turbeville Ware. The impact she has had on the Commonwealth of Virginia and to our country will never be forgotten, and I offer our deepest condolences to the Ware family.

**CONGRATULATING THE EDINA  
BOYS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM**

**HON. ERIK PAULSEN**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 27, 2018*

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Edina Boys Cross Country running team for winning the High School state championship. After a long season, these runners ran through the finish line to bring Edina its first ever state title.

With runners in all third through seventh place finishes, Edina destroyed the competition. The team ended with only 88 points, 11 points less than the runner up.

Mr. Speaker, we all know that being a cross country runner takes strength, perseverance, endurance, commitment to training, and raw athletic talent.

Congrats.

**HONORING FORMER STATE  
SENATOR BEVERLY GARD**

**HON. LUKE MESSER**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 27, 2018*

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, on behalf of the entire 6th Congressional District of Indiana, to recognize former State Senator Beverly Gard for her contribution to our state.

For 24 years, Bev represented Hancock and Shelby counties with honor and integrity in the Indiana General Assembly. She established herself as a tenacious and effective leader in the Senate and always put the interests of her district first. It was an honor to serve with Bev during my time in the Indiana General Assembly.

On a personal note, Jennifer and I cherish our friendship with Bev. She has been a loyal friend and a wise adviser to me during my entire tenure in Congress. Both Jennifer and Bev are proud alums of the University of Tennessee and Bev was also among my earliest and most vocal supporters. I want to thank Bev for her friendship and support of my work in Congress. I wish her continued success in all that God has planned for her and her family.

**SALUTING THE 2018 U.S. BORDER  
PATROL NATIONAL PISTOL TEAM**

**HON. JOHN R. CARTER**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 27, 2018*

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I salute the 2018 United States Border Patrol National Pistol Team which swept six of eight team events at the 56th Annual National Police Shooting Championships in Albuquerque, NM. The following team members exemplify professionalism, marksmanship, and the esprit de corps found within the ranks of the United States Border Patrol:

National Program Manager—Assistant Chief Kenneth Malone

Program Support—Assistant Chief Kevin Orr  
Team Captain—Watch Commander Arturo Velez

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent Shawn Becker

Supervisory Border Patrol Agent Brian Reilly  
Border Patrol Agent Robert Vadasz (National Champion)

Border Patrol Agent Adam Kovatch

Border Patrol Agent Alaric Mason

Border Patrol Agent Ben Morrow

Border Patrol Agent Charles Rogers

Border Patrol Agent Andrew Signell

Border Patrol Agent Tony Simmons

Border Patrol Agent Brett Sullivan

Border Patrol Agent Jeremy David

Border Patrol Agent Joel De Leon III

Border Patrol Agent Dean Geiger

Border Patrol Agent Lilia Ferrer

Border Patrol Agent Andrew Moore

Border Patrol Agent Tracy Wong

Their success is nothing new as the USBP National Pistol Team has won more NPSC competitions than any other law enforcement agency and holds numerous team and individual national records set by past and present U.S. Border Patrol Agents. All USBP National Pistol Team members are law enforcement agents first and represent the USBP in competitions as a collateral assignment by earning their way onto the team.

The National Pistol Championships take place annually and include teams from the U.S. Armed Forces and Civilian Marksmanship Program clubs from across the nation. The Olympics of law enforcement-centric competitions, the Championships provide officers a program that promotes skill and competence with firearms at state, regional, and national levels.

I proudly commend the U.S. Border Patrol National Pistol Team for not only their work to keep our nation safe, but for their dedication and efforts on their own time which superbly represent the U.S. Border Patrol in prestigious firearms competitions. The Team showcases the very best in both law enforcement and the demanding world of precision marksmanship. I thank them for their service and I know they'll continue excelling in future firearms competitions.

HONORING MR. DENNIS  
KACOYANIS

**HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 27, 2018*

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the tremendous work of my constituent Mr. Dennis Kacoyanis of Chantilly, Virginia. Mr. Kacoyanis plans to retire on January 3, 2019, after more than 40 years of federal service. His dedication and professionalism throughout his career have provided exceptional benefit to the people of the United States.

Mr. Kacoyanis spent the early portion of his federal career as an attorney at the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission enforcing employment laws prohibiting discrimination in the workplace. Since 1987, Mr. Kacoyanis has served as an attorney for the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. Mr. Kacoyanis performed a number of duties to keep consumers safe, including ensuring that hazardous products were promptly recalled from the market and that companies immediately reported hazardous products to the Commission. He zealously advocated for the Commission's interests in federal court cases. He also worked hard to ensure the Commission met its responsibility to release information to the public—increasing transparency, accountability and trust in government.

In addition to his 32 years of work at the Commission, Mr. Kacoyanis previously served the American people at the U.S. Department of Justice in the Civil Rights Division, and at the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Virginia, Alexandria Division.

Mr. Speaker, I now ask that my colleagues join me in thanking Mr. Kacoyanis for the outstanding service he provided to the United States throughout his long-lasting career. I wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

HONORING MAYOR DAMON WELCH

**HON. LUKE MESSER**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 27, 2018*

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, on behalf of the entire 6th Congressional District of Indiana, to recognize Mayor Damon Welch for his contribution to our state and the City of Madison.

Over the years, Damon has been a loyal friend and wise adviser to me. He has also served the City of Madison, as mayor, with honor and integrity. Damon has made improving the quality of life in the community his main priority for years. Several economic development initiatives, including being designated as a Stellar Community in 2017, have been the result of Damon's hard work and commitment to the historic City of Madison. Our state is better off today because of his extraordinary leadership and service.

On a personal note, Damon is a brother in Christ. I have truly appreciated his prayers and encouragement over the years. I wish him continued success in all that God has planned for him and his family.

RECOGNIZING KEVIN HOUGEN

**HON. MIKE COFFMAN**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 27, 2018*

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Aurora Chamber of Commerce, Kevin Hougen. Recently the Denver Business Journal recognized Kevin with its 2018 Most Admired Chief Executive Officer honor. This prestigious award is given only to those with a proven record of innovation, who act as a standard-bearer for their organization, as a community role model, and exert exceptional leadership within their organization and the community. I am proud to see Kevin Hougen receive this award for his more than two decades of dedicated service to my hometown of Aurora, Colorado.

Kevin Hougen's leadership with the Aurora Chamber of Commerce began 22 years ago when he was first hired as its Vice President of Sales. Since 1999, Kevin Hougen has served as its President and Chief Executive Officer. Kevin's leadership and business acumen has played a key role in the tremendous growth and economic success the city of Aurora has experienced since then as it has grown to become the third largest city in the State of Colorado.

Kevin Hougen has led the Aurora Chamber of Commerce through difficult challenges such as the "Great Recession" and to new and exciting triumphs such as the agreement with Denver and Adams County on the development of the "Aerotropolis." Critically, his leadership has proved crucial to enhancing community support efforts for Buckley Air Force Base. I do not believe any base located in a major metropolitan area receives more consistent or stronger community support than does Buckley Air Force Base.

Kevin Hougen has also led the Chamber's efforts to make Aurora a better place to live and to do business. He has done so by facilitating support for the expansion and creation of new roadways and the light rail line that now serve the City of Aurora. He has also rallied the business community to become more involved with the local schools, which are so important to the long-term economic strength of the City of Aurora.

Mr. Speaker, my hometown city of Aurora would not be the driving force of innovation, development, and economic opportunity it is today without Kevin Hougen. I look forward to seeing his successes and those of the Aurora Chamber of Commerce continue well into the future.

RECOGNIZING THE MINNETONKA  
GIRLS SOCCER TEAM

**HON. ERIK PAULSEN**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 27, 2018*

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Minnetonka Girls Soccer Team on winning the Minnesota state high school championship. After narrowly the state championship game last year, the Skippers re-deemed themselves with a 1-0 victory over

Wayzata to finish the season and take home the state title. Minnetonka scored a goal in the first minute of play and held the lead for the remainder of the game.

Soccer requires teamwork, cohesiveness, agility and physical rigor. While the Skippers' girls mastered these skills to capture their third state title, it's also important to point out that these student athletes excel in other areas off the field. Keeping up with their studies and being involved in other community activities is also a hallmark of their success.

Congratulations to the players, coaches, parents and fans on being high school champs.

HONORING MR. ABDE-ALI EMADI  
OF PENNSYLVANIA FOR ACHIEVING  
THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

**HON. SCOTT PERRY**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 27, 2018*

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and congratulate my constituent, Abde-Ali Emadi, for his accomplishment in earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

The Eagle Scout designation is the highest advancement rank in Scouting, which only a small number of Boy Scouts earn. The rank is performance-based, and must meet high standards that have been well-maintained over the past century. To earn the rank of Eagle Scout, a Boy Scout is obligated to pass specific tests that are organized by myriad requirements and merit badges, as well as completing an Eagle Scout project to benefit the community.

Abde-Ali has been recognized as a valuable member of Troop 180, and has served in various leadership positions; i.e. Junior Assistant Scoutmaster and Senior Patrol Leader. His Eagle Scout Project was to clean and stain over 70 picnic tables at the New Kingstown Fire Company pavilion, in addition to building four ADA-compliant tables.

I've long appreciated the commitment of people who demonstrate hard work and devote themselves selflessly to serving our communities and fellow citizens. On behalf of Pennsylvania's Fourth Congressional District, I recognize and congratulate Abde-Ali Emadi on his significant accomplishment and community service. I wish him continued success and Godspeed in his future adventures.

HONORING J.R. AND CAROL  
SHOWERS

**HON. LUKE MESSER**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 27, 2018*

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, on behalf of the entire 6th Congressional District of Indiana, to recognize J.R. and Carol Showers for their contribution to our state and their community.

The Showers have made a positive and lasting impact in Shelbyville and embody exactly what "Hoosier hospitality" is meant to be. When J.R. served as County Chairman, we worked extensively together to support Republican candidates and principles. Our state is