

and poise. During her tenure as a county prosecutor, Lisa prosecuted a number of high-profile cases which she handled with great determination and innovation. Notably, she successfully prosecuted a gruesome murder case by using the species of insect found on the suspect's car windshield to pin the suspect to the scene of the crime. Lisa's tenacity for justice proved time and time again that she was among the best in her field.

Lisa Green leaves her post at as Kern District Attorney having made her community a better, safer place. I will remember Lisa for her dedication to her department and her unflagging loyalty to local victims of crime. During a multi-year county budget crisis, Lisa guided her department with professionalism and skill, upholding the court's obligation to speedy trials without delay. She is a fixture at the annual Crime Victims' Rights March, and was renowned for the transparency and accessibility of her office. Lisa's retirement will be felt immediately in the Kern County legal community, though I am confident that the impact of her career of excellence will be felt for years to come. I wish her and her family all the best as she begins this next chapter of her life.

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO NATIONAL SECURITY COMMISSION ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 20, 2018

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, today I rise, to withdraw my appointment of November 13, 2018, and to appoint Mignon L. Clyburn to the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence. My authority to effectuate this appointment as the Ranking Member of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce is set forth in Section 1051 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (P.L. 115–232).

RETIREMENT OF SAINT PAUL CITY COUNCIL MEMBER DAN BOSTROM

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 20, 2018

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a man who has dedicated his life to his family and serving his community and all residents of Saint Paul, Minnesota. As 2018 draws to a close, Council Member Dan Bostrom will leave the Saint Paul City Council after 22 years of distinguished service on behalf of his constituents, having made his city, and Saint Paul's Ward 6, more prosperous, safe and vibrant. His retirement caps a remarkable five-decade commitment to public service.

Dan Bostrom is a true son of Saint Paul's East Side. From a young age, he first met his neighbors by delivering papers for the Pioneer Press, and the now defunct evening paper, the Dispatch. After graduating from Saint

Paul's Johnson High School, then from the University of Minnesota, Dan went on to become a police officer in the Saint Paul Police Department. Described by his colleagues as "a very thoughtful guy, even under extreme pressure," Dan earned a reputation for treating everyone with respect and dignity during the turbulent 1960s and 1970s as Saint Paul and the nation were experiencing unprecedented racial tension and growing challenges of economic disparity. His respect for others, honesty, patience and empathy, not only made him an excellent keeper of the peace, but opened doors to a new level of public service.

During his service on the police department, Dan began serving on the District Two Community Council, which is an official community representative body that is charged with engaging with city projects in their neighborhoods. While serving on the district council, he was encouraged to run for the school board. He eventually went on to serve on the school board for 9 years, where he established soccer as a team sport in schools, introduced truant officers in Saint Paul schools, and helped to save the Monroe School from closure.

Witnessing his passion for the community and ability to deliver results, neighbors urged Dan to run for City Council, and was elected to the Saint Paul City Council in 1996. He went on to serve there for 22 years, six of which as Council President. During his time on the Council, Dan advocated for increased economic development on the East Side of Saint Paul, a historically working-class neighborhood which is one of the state's most diverse as well. Dan was instrumental in the creation of the Phalen Boulevard corridor, which serves as crucial connection from the East Side to the rest of Saint Paul. Whenever asked why, after so many years of exemplary and successful public service, he remained an active and engaged Council Member, he would often respond, that despite his successes, there were too many things left undone or at critical stages.

Nothing is more important to Dan than his family and neighbors. Throughout his life, he has been a devoted husband, father and grandfather. As his late wife Rosann faced a heroic battle with breast cancer, Dan was a constant support and caregiver. His commitment to others is fundamental to who he is, and that legacy has been passed along to his family, including his son Matt who is the former Ramsey County Sheriff. It is a privilege to call Dan a friend. I am grateful to have been able to count on him as a consistent partner on behalf of the East Side and Saint Paul residents throughout my service in the Minnesota Legislature and in the U.S. House of Representatives. His work ethic and dedication to public service is a model to our entire community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me paying tribute to Councilman Dan Bostrom for his exemplary career in public service. I wish him and his family all the best in his retirement, and to honor him for his lifetime of service to residents of Saint Paul.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF MINISTER HOWARD J. WOOLING

HON. MARK DeSAULNIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 20, 2018

Mr. DESAULNIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and service of long-time community leader, Minister Howard J. Wooling.

Minister Wooling received his Bachelor's degree in 1965 from Eastern Nazarene College where he majored in psychology, anthropology, and sociology. In 1967, he received his Master's degree from Boston College where he specialized in teaching the blind to walk with a cane. By 1972, Minister Wooling had his Master's of Public Health degree in Hospital Administration from U.C. Berkeley's School of Public Health.

Minister Wooling was baptized by Grover Wilson in 1968. From 1969 to 1976, he was the Assistant Minister for the Laurel Street Church of Christ. Minister Wooling was then the Assistant Minister at the Fremont Church of Christ before becoming a Minister at the Southside Church of Christ in Richmond in 1985, where he has continued to serve and strengthen our community to this day.

Minister Wooling has also served in various hospital administration roles, including as the Associate Director at both Highland Hospital and Stanford University Hospital, and as a group counselor at the County of San Mateo Juvenile Hall. In his capacity as a congregation leader, Minister Wooling led at least nine missionary groups to Nigeria, and several more to Cameroon and Panama. A part of Minister Wooling's legacy will be his guidance of at least four great preachers working today.

Minister Wooling and his wife, Ernestine, have four children: Renee, Collette, Valerie, and Anthony. Please join me in congratulating Minister Howard J. Wooling on a life full of love, faith, and dedicated service, and in wishing him great luck and joy in retirement.

CONGRATULATING WILLIAM RATLIFF ON HIS PROMOTION TO ASSISTANT POLICE CHIEF

HON. BRENDA JONES

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 20, 2018

Ms. JONES of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor my constituent William "Bill" Ratliff for his commitment to public service and congratulate him on being named Assistant Chief of Police at Inkster's Police Department.

In 1987, while still attending high school, Mr. Ratliff got an early start to a career in public service as a Police Explorer for the Inkster Police Department. In 1991, he joined the Inkster Police Department as a Communications Assistant and Dispatcher. Mr. Ratliff excelled in that capacity and was rewarded with a promotion to Ordinance Officer.

In 1995, Mr. Ratliff would join the Detroit Police Department as their Spokesperson. He would remain with the department until he left for a private sector job in public relations.

In 2004, the Michigan Senate recognized Mr. Ratliff for courageous actions in donating a kidney to his best friend Omie Smith.

Mr. Ratliff's affinity for public service would eventually lead him back to public service. In 2006, he was named Chief of Staff for a Detroit City Council Member. A year later, he would return to his roots, becoming Inkster Police Department's Director of Emergency Management and Chief of Auxiliary Police.

In 2010, as a police officer, Mr. Ratliff was assigned to community policing. In 2014, his relentless hard work and tireless dedication to ensuring public safety while taking heed to the needs of the community led to his promotion to the rank of Sergeant. Just two years later, he would be promoted again to Commander.

In 2018, Mr. Ratliff's commitment to service and public safety would be rewarded with a promotion to Assistant Chief of Police of Inkster's Police Department.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Assistant Chief of Police William "Bill" Ratliff on his well-earned promotion and over two decades of selfless service to the people of Southeast Michigan.

THE TASTE OF FREEDOM—THE
REPUBLIC OF FREDONIA

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 20, 2018

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, December 21, 1826 marks the beginning of the Fredonian Rebellion. This was the result of a conflict between the Mexican government and Haden Edwards, a settler in Texas, and reflected the growing tension between Mexico and settlers in Texas. Settlers that Mexico had wanted to live in Texas.

Haden Edwards received his empresarial grant in 1825, which allowed him to settle up to 800 families in East Texas, near Nacogdoches. The land this grant included was surrounded by a mixture of Native American tribes and other settlers. From the beginning of Edwards' time in Texas, he was a controversial figure. He posted signs around Nacogdoches demanding that all landowners show evidence of their claims or forfeit their land. Some of these landowners held earlier grants from Spain and Mexico that dated back more than 100 years, but not all of these landowners possessed the necessary legal documentation.

Tensions between Edwards and Mexico escalated even more in March 1826, when Edward's son-in-law, Chichester Chaplin, won the mayoral election in Nacogdoches. The election was contested, and the political chief in San Antonio, José Antonio Saucedo, reversed the election results and ordered Chaplin to turn over his mayoral duties to his opponent, Samuel Norris.

In 1826, Mexico revoked Edwards' land grant and ordered him to leave Texas. A Mexican military commander even set out to Nacogdoches from San Antonio with 100 soldiers to enforce this resolution. Instead of leaving, Edwards vowed to recruit an army and win independence from Mexico. He was supported by the settlers he had brought to Texas. He also hastily signed a treaty with the Cherokee to strengthen his claim.

The newly minted republic only survived for about five weeks. When Mexican military forces arrived on January 31, 1827, the revolutionaries retreated back across the Sabine River to the United States. Not a single Cherokee warrior had shown up to join the revolt.

Though the Fredonian Rebellion accomplished little, it is viewed by some to be the true beginning of the Texas Revolution and eventual independence from Mexico. Citizens of Nacogdoches, inspired by the taste of freedom, would go on to welcome Sam Houston to their city and elect him to the first colonists' convention in 1833. General Sam Houston became the commander-in-chief of the Texas army. Thus, setting a course for revolution, independence, and liberty in 1836.

And that's just the way it is.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BILL FOSTER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 20, 2018

Mr. FOSTER. Mr. Speaker, I was not present for votes Wednesday, December 19, 2018. Had I been present, I would have voted: Roll Call No. 436 Aye; Roll Call No. 437 Aye; Roll Call No. 438 Aye; Roll Call No. 439 Aye; Roll Call No. 440 Aye; Roll Call No. 441 Aye; Roll Call No. 442 Aye; Roll Call No. 443 Aye; Roll Call No. 444 Aye; and Roll Call No. 445 Aye.

RECOGNIZING THE DALE CITY
VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 20, 2018

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the 2018 installation of officers for the Dale City Volunteer Fire Department. DCVFD is located in Prince William County Virginia, 25 miles from our Nation's Capital. The DCVFD goes on an average of 20,000 calls per year, aiding the 75,000 constituents in Dale City, Virginia.

Incorporated in the Commonwealth of Virginia in 1967, the DCVFD serves as an organization of committed community members ensuring the safety of the families in Dale City. Funded strictly by the residents in Dale City, the Department has been able to significantly grow, opening up five stations in 50 years and having approximately 250 dedicated volunteers. From their bravery in action, to their presence with the youth in the community, DCVFD is readily available for the families of Dale City.

It is with great honor to include in the RECORD the names of the following Dale City Fire Department Officers:

Chief—Christopher Hool
Deputy Chief of Operations—Edgar Van Horn
Deputy Chief of Administration—James Delaverson
Deputy Chief of EMS—Barbara Brown
Assistant Chief of Training—Darrell Hudson
Assistant Chiefs—Stephen Chappell, Joseph Kerns, Michael Spencer

Captains—Eddy Dumire, Joshua Jensen, The Honorable Jeremy McPike, Marc Sherman, Sandra Sokol, Linda Wortham, Kimberly Batson

Lieutenants—Thomas Borsari, Michael Cajayon, Simon Courtman, Thomas Mazzo, Daniel Moran, Patrick Palacios, Donovan Stewart, John Van Horn

Sergeants—Philip Anthony, Robert Best II, Andrew Kelly, Robert Willis, Jabin Young, Stephanie DeFreitas, Bradley Gray, Matthew Werner

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President—Walter Grochala

Vice President—Kimberly Batson

Secretary—Ricardo Hernandez

Treasurer—Robert Best II

Directors—Victor Angry, Eddy Dumire, James Jones, Gregory Shalawyo II, Edgar Van Horn, Leslie Van Horn, Matthew Werner

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President—JoAnn Ferguson

Vice President—Dorothy Hudson

Secretary—Nicole Foster

Treasurer—Cindy Van Noppen

While a new executive board has been elected and new officers sworn in, the mission of DCVFD remains the same. Their motto, Second to None, amplifies their dedication of preparedness, safety, and strong community service. Over the past 50 years, DCVFD has educated and mentored the youth in Dale City, not only teaching fire safety education, but also strengthening community relations.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleague join me in recognizing the men and women of the Dale City Volunteer Fire Department for their service to our country and steadfast commitment to their community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JACKY ROSEN

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 20, 2018

Ms. ROSEN. Mr. Speaker, on December 19th, on roll call votes 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, and 445, I was not present due to the severe illness of my brother, who sadly passed away later that evening. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on all ten roll call votes.

HONORING THE LIFE OF REBECCA
MAY WOOD STRINGER HOLBERT

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 20, 2018

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the life of Rebecca May Wood Stringer Holbert.

She was born on April 6, 1929, in Decatur, Alabama. Her father relocated his dental practice in 1936 and moved his wife and six children to a former boarding home on South Jackson Street in Montgomery. In 1937, she joined Dexter Avenue Baptist Church.

Her early education began at Alabama State Laboratory High School and Palmer Memorial Institute in Sedalia, North Carolina. She graduated from Booker T. Washington High School in Montgomery. She received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education in 1956 and