Steve is an extraordinary ambassador for all emergency personnel and is much deserving of the CFSI's 2018 Fire Leadership Award. I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude and sincerest congratulations to Steve for receiving the CFSI Leadership Award and for his devotion to the people of Delaware. The First State is lucky to have members of the community who volunteer their time and sacrifice their lives for the greater good. Steve, like many other emergency workers will tell you, "I'm just doing my job."

LIEUTENANT COLONEL JOHN MARK SPANN

## HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, April 16, 2018

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Lieutenant Colonel John Mark Spann, United States Army and Colorado Army National Guard for his service to our country.

John served as a Specialist 5 in the United States Army from 1972 to 1975, and served in the Colorado Army National Guard from 1975 to 1993, retiring at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. John also served as a Federal Civil Service civilian employee for the U.S. Air Force at Buckley Air Force Base from 1984 to 2014. Lieutenant Colonel Spann's military awards and decorations include the Army Commendation Medal, with Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Achievement Medal, Desert Storm Service Medal, and the National Defense Service Medal.

My office had the honor and privilege of getting to know Lieutenant Colonel Spann and hearing about his experiences during a Vietnam War 50th Commemoration pinning ceremony in August 2017. In addition, Sergeant Spann's stories and that of his brothers will be submitted to the Library of Congress Veterans History Project (VHP), a congressionally chartered project to collect, preserve and make accessible personal accounts of American war veterans.

Lieutenant Colonel Spann's courageous service has charted the path for future generations of men and women to serve in the military. I extend my deepest appreciation to Lieutenant Colonel Spann for his dedication, integrity and outstanding service to the United States of America.

HONORING JENNIFER LESLIE GRAY GOLICK

## HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, April 16, 2018

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Jennifer Leslie Gray Golick and remember her life, which was tragically cut short on March 9, 2018.

Ms. Golick was born in Houston, Texas and moved to Calistoga, California when she was young. She graduated from Calistoga High School in 1994. Ms. Golick earned her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from the University of California at Davis, her Master of Arts in

Counseling Psychology from Sonoma State University and her Ph.D. in Philosophy from Akami University.

I have known Ms. Golick for many years. Her mother and my wife worked together for over twenty years. I had the privilege of witnessing her grow into the beautiful and caring young woman so many in our community came to love. Ms. Golick's mantra of service and dedication is inspiring. She believed strongly that people could be healed by being heard. She was a compassionate listener for the veterans she served at The Pathway Home. When she began working at The Pathway Home in September of 2017, people there were excited for her fresh perspective, professional insight and most of all, her big heart and endless empathy.

She was also a champion for adolescent mental health and travelled the country speaking on the topic. Before she began working at The Pathway Home she worked at Muir Wood Adolescent and Family Services in Petaluma, California, where she was highly regarded.

Ms. Golick was a mother to her young daughter, Makena, and a wife to her husband, Marc. They were a picture-perfect young family. She also had a love of running and competed in Crossfit and Tough Mudders.

Mr. Speaker, Jennifer Leslie Gray Golick was a devoted wife and mother and dedicated psychologist and community member. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor her here today.

HONORING SHELLEY BRODERICK

#### HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 16, 2018

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Shelley Broderick of the District of Columbia for her 20 years of outstanding service as Dean of the University of the District of Columbia David A. Clarke School of Law

In August 1999, Shelley Broderick was appointed Dean of the law school, after serving as interim dean since 1998. In 2011, she was named the Joseph L. Rauh, Jr. Chair of Social Justice

Shelly Broderick began her legal career as a clinical professor at the law school, and in 1999, she received the William Pincus Award for outstanding contributions to clinical legal education from the American Association of Law Schools. As Dean of the law school, she has received the Outstanding Dean of the Year Award from Equal Justice Works; the Servant of Justice Award from the Legal Aid Society; the Deborah L. Rhode Award from the American Association of Law Schools; and the highest award given for outstanding educational leadership at a historically black college or university from the Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund.

During her tenure as Dean, the law school has achieved the highest level of American Bar Association accreditation; forged a memorandum of understanding with the University of Havana, a first for an American law school; and has raised more than \$20 million to support endowed and other student scholarships, summer public interest fellowships and clinical

programs. During her tenure, more than 2,000 diverse law students have represented thousands of vulnerable D.C. residents through the school's top ranked legal clinics. She served as chair of the UDC Faculty Senate for three years, and is a founder and participant of the D.C. Consortium of Legal Services Providers. She was appointed by the D.C. Court of Appeals to serve on the District of Columbia's Access to Justice Commission and has also served on the board of D.C. Appleseed for many years. I am particularly indebted to Shelley Broderick, who I appointed to serve on my Federal Law Enforcement Nominating Commission. The Commission made recommendations to me for candidates for the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia, U.S. Marshals for the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia and the D.C. Superior Court and other critical federal law enforcement positions in the District. The Commission's recommendations were of such high quality that I was able to select exemplary candidates, and submitted all of them to President Obama for nomination.

While Shelley Broderick plans to step down as Dean, she will soon rejoin the law school faculty after a sabbatical.

Therefore, I ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Shelley Broderick for her many years of dedicated service and outstanding contributions as Dean of the UDC David A. Clarke School of Law.

MILLERCOORS

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Monday,\ April\ 16,\ 2018$ 

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor MillerCoors for being recognized as the 2017 Pioneer Award winner by the Jefferson County Economic Development Corporation (Jeffco EDC).

The Pioneer Award is given to a company in Jefferson County that demonstrates a pioneering attitude within its industry and the local business community. MillerCoors, a MOLSON Coors Company, has been demonstrating their commitment to community and innovative spirit since 1873 when they first started brewing beer on the banks of Clear Creek in Golden, Colorado. Now on its fifth generation of family leadership, the company continues to be a good community partner making numerous investments in the community and local jobs. In addition, the company helped launch a recycling revolution, reduced its water usage by more than 25 percent, reduced energy use more than 50 percent and achieved Zero Waste to Landfill status.

Congratulations to MillerCoors for this well-deserved award, and I thank them for their contribution to our community.

HONORING CONNIE VAN PUTTEN AS WOMAN OF THE YEAR

### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, April 16, 2018

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Reserve Police Officer,

Detective Connie Van Putten, whom I have named Woman of the Year in Contra Costa County, California. Woman of the Year recognizes women who have made important contributions to California's 5th Congressional District in Arts and Culture, Professional Achievement, Entrepreneurship and Innovation or Community Service.

Ms. Van Putten was born in San Diego, California. She graduated from the University of La Verne with a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice. In 1965 Ms. Van Putten began her career in law enforcement as a member of the San Diego Police Department, where she served for 23 years. She was the first woman in the San Diego Police Department to be promoted to the rank of Sergeant and Lieutenant.

In 1985 Ms. Van Putten was selected to attend the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia. After completing the program, she served as a Captain in the Union City Police Department until her retirement in 2000. After retiring from full time service, Ms. Van Putten joined the Hercules Police Department Reserve Officer Program. As a Reserve Officer Ms. Van Putten has gone above and beyond the call of duty. She organized the Prescription Drug Turn In Program where over 800 pounds of prescription drugs have been turned in and destroyed and is the Department's Public Information Officer. She has donated over 1,200 hours of service to her community annually both as a uniformed patrol officer and a plain clothes detective.

Ms. Van Putten has also remained active in our community in other ways. She has been involved with Prevent Blindness in California, which promotes and performs vision screening for preschool children. She also has spent 15 years with the Navy League as the liaison to the United States Coast Guard Vessel *Tern*. Ms. Van Putten has been married to her husband, Peter, for 42 years.

Mr. Speaker, Ms. Van Putten is the kind of citizen we should all strive to be. She has seamlessly blended her personal and professional passions for the betterment of our community. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor Connie Van Putten here today.

#### HONORING THE MORRISON OPTOMETRY LEGACY

### HON, DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Monday,\ April\ 16,\ 2018$ 

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Gainesville Vision Clinic, a local optometry practice in its 103rd year of operation.

Northeast Georgia serves as the home to many family-owned businesses that have been in operation longer than I've been alive. A business's 100th year marks a meaningful milestone for the family that operates it—making the Gainesville Vision Clinic's achievement special to our corner of Georgia.

This optometry practice has been managed by three generations of the Morrison family: Dr. J.C. Morrison, Sr.; Dr. J.C. Morrison, Jr.; and my friend, Dr. Bill Morrison, who currently runs the practice.

After receiving his Georgia optometry license in 1917, Dr. J.C. Morrison, Sr. opened the Gainesville Vision Clinic on Bradford

Street along the community square. He managed the practice for 49 years until his son took over in 1964 and, eventually, his grandson began leading it in 1975.

Throughout the course of a century, this family's commitment to caring for their neighbors has remained constant. As the Morrison optometry legacy lives on, I celebrate their contributions to the Gainesville community as a family-owned business.

# CAPTAIN STEPHEN ALLISON SPANN

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, April 16, 2018

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor posthumously, Captain Stephen Allison Spann, United States Navy Reserve, (ret) for his service to our country.

Captain Spann served in the United States Marine Corps from 1959 to 1963. From there he served for four years in the United States Marine Corps Reserves and three years in the United States Navy (Seabees) Reserves. Captain Spann served for thirty years as a member of the United States Navy Reserves, Civil Engineer Corps, retiring at the rank of Captain. Captain Spann's military awards and decorations include the USMC Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, Meritorious Unit, Rifle and Pistol ribbons.

My office had the honor and privilege of getting to know Captain Spann and hearing about his experiences during a Vietnam War 50th Commemoration pinning ceremony in August 2017.

Captain Spann's courageous service charted a path for future generations of men and women to serve in the military. I extend my deepest appreciation to Captain Stephen Spann for his dedication, integrity and outstanding service to the United States of America.

# HONORING GINNY CRAVEN AS WOMAN OF THE YEAR

### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 16, 2018

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Ms. Ginny Craven, whom I have named Woman of the Year in Lake County, California. Woman of the Year recognizes women who have made important contributions to California's 5th Congressional District in Arts and Culture, Professional Achievement, Entrepreneurship and Innovation or Community Service.

Ms. Craven was born in Concord, California and moved to Lake County, California as a child, where she attended elementary school and graduated from Upper Lake High School. She earned a bachelor's degree from California State University, Chico.

Ms. Craven has dedicated much of her life to helping veterans and their families. Ms. Craven is the founder and Chief Executive Officer of Operation Tango Mike, Inc., an all-volunteer nonprofit organization that has shipped over 20,000 care packages to deployed military personnel. Ms. Craven has also been a personal liaison to local Gold Star families and is a member of multiple veterans' organizations, including United Veterans Council of Lake County, Military Funeral Honors Team of Lake County, Pearl Harbors Survivors Association, Patriot Guard Riders and Daughters of the American Revolution.

Ms. Craven supports other important causes as well. She was co-captain of Quick Steppers, the Lake County Relay for Life team that raised more than \$13,000. She has supported victims of the 2015, 2016, and 2017 fires in Lake County. She coordinated Operation Tango Mike Volunteers to assist survivors and worked with the U.S. Army to bring an Engineer Battalion to Lake County for flood prevention operations in 2015. Ms. Craven's service to our troops and community continues her family's long history of service.

Mr. Speaker, Ginny Craven has worked tirelessly to better the lives of others. She is a selfless community member and our district is better for the work that she has done. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor her here today.

# IN RECOGNITION OF LENNIE GOTCHER

### HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 16, 2018

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Lennie Gotcher who will be presented with the 2018 Citizen of the Year Award from the Associated Parents' Group of Hillsborough. Lennie is a role model for all of us in the community and an integral part of our town.

Lennie's roots in Hillsborough run deep. She grew up here and she and her husband Peter raised their four children here. Her volunteer work began in the schools her sons attended; first at South when her oldest son was in preschool, then at North Preschool and Crocker Middle School where she spent countless hours in the classroom and at events.

In addition to being a devoted mother and wife, Lennie is passionate about gardening and to say that she has a green thumb and comprehensive understanding of organic farming is an understatement. Lennie had the vision and perseverance to create the Harvest Garden, known as the crown jewel of Hillsborough. In 2010, she worked with the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, the Hillsborough Beautification Foundation (HBF), the Town Public Works Director and the Town Council to get the project approved. Not only did she create a beautiful garden growing fresh produce, she turned the project into a learning experience for students. She oversaw a group of high school students cleaning a vacant lot and soliciting donations from the community. Today, the Harvest Garden offers an internship program for high school students, workshops for community members and volunteer programs for the local schools, the Boy Scouts, the National Charity League and the Young Men's Service League. All of the work is done by volunteers who have produced over 9,000 pound of organic vegetables that