

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. EARL BLUMENAUER**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 21, 2018*

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Speaker, had I been present for the vote on H.R. 5687—the SOUND Disposal and Packaging Act (Roll Call No. 269), I would have voted “aye.” This bill would require the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve packaging and disposal methods for certain drugs.

Additionally, had I been present for the vote on H.R. 5676—the SENIOR Communities Protection Act of 2018 (Roll Call No. 270), I would have voted “aye.” This bill would authorize Medicare prescription drug plans and MA-PD plans to suspend payments to pharmacies pending investigations of credible allegations of fraud.

CONGRATULATING MAJOR  
GENERAL PETER JOHNSON**HON. JOE WILSON**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 21, 2018*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, South Carolinians appreciate the service of Major General John P. “Pete” Johnson, the 50th Commander of the U.S. Army Training Center and Fort Jackson in Columbia, South Carolina.

Since taking command in June 2016, Maj. Gen. Pete Johnson has supervised numerous changes and improvements to the installation. Prior to serving at the U.S. Army Training Center and Fort Jackson, Maj. Gen. Johnson served in principal staff leadership positions, joint service positions and has commanded troops from Company through Brigade and the Combined Joint Task Force-levels, including several combat tours, to include: Operations Enduring/Iraqi Freedom in Afghanistan and Iraq, Operation Provide Comfort, Iraq and Operation Just Cause, Panama.

Additionally, his notable command assignments include: Deputy Commanding General for Operations, 25th Infantry Division, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; Commander, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Kentucky and Operation Enduring Freedom, Afghanistan. Upon his departure from Fort Jackson, he will become the Deputy Commanding General for United States Army Pacific (USARPAC), at Fort Shafter, Hawaii. Best wishes to Major General Johnson and his wife Sheila as they embark on this new chapter.

RECOGNIZING THE 2018 FAIRFAX  
COUNTY VOLUNTEER SERVICE  
AWARD RECIPIENTS**HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 21, 2018*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Volunteer Fairfax and express my sincere appreciation to recipients of

the 26th Annual Fairfax County Volunteer Service Awards.

Established more than 40 years ago, Volunteer Fairfax matches the skills and interests of thousands of volunteers with the needs of local non-profit organizations. The success of this model and its impact on delivery of needed services is beyond question, as Volunteer Fairfax has been rated as one of the most effective community service organizations in the nation.

Last year alone, over 6,000 individuals contributed more 328,000 volunteer hours, totaling almost \$8,000,000. These staggering numbers are a testament to the strong ethos of public service and of volunteerism that exists in Fairfax County, and is one of the many reasons why this community is such a wonderful place to live.

Each year, Volunteer Fairfax selects a few exceptional individuals, groups, or organizations to receive special recognition. It is my great pleasure to include in the RECORD the following names of the 2018 Fairfax County Volunteer Service Awards honorees:

Community Champions:  
Braddock District: Joanne Walton  
Dranesville District: William Pickens  
Hunter Mill District: May Bernhardt  
Lee District: Ed Joseph  
Mason District: Community Labor Force  
Mount Vernon District: Shirley Steenstra  
Providence District: Tysons Partnership  
Springfield District: Tom Bash  
Sully District: Glynda Mayo Hall  
At-Large: Charles Fegan  
Competitive Award Winners:  
Adult 250 Hours and Over: Marco Johnson  
Adult 250 Hours and Under: Jerry Dykstra  
Adult Volunteer Group: PRS CareRing  
Volunteers  
Corporate Volunteer Group: Fannie Mae  
Fairfax County Volunteer: Walter Jackson  
Fairfax County Volunteer Program: CERT  
Family Volunteer: Rev. Morris and Polley Hargrove  
Lifetime Achievement: Richard Alderson  
Rising Star: Josh Stillman  
RSVP Northern Virginia: Ken Kozloff  
Senior Volunteer: Jim Dillon  
Volunteer Program: ECHO  
Youth Volunteer: Racheal Appiah  
Youth Volunteer Group: Stony Brook Jr. Volunteers

In addition, Benchmark Honors will be awarded in four different categories to commend those who have contributed 100, 250, 500, or 1,000 hours of volunteer time to our community.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in commending Volunteer Fairfax for its decades of outstanding community service. I congratulate the recipients of the 2018 Fairfax County Volunteer Service Awards, and thank them and the thousands of other local volunteers for their incredible contributions to our community. Their selfless dedication is worthy of our highest praise, and is one of the main reasons that our community is often ranked as one of the best places in the country to live, work, and raise a family.

RECOGNIZING FRANK AND BETTIE  
BARBER**HON. GREG GIANFORTE**

OF MONTANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 21, 2018*

Mr. GIANFORTE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Frank and Bettie Barber of Lloyd.

Since 1998, the Barbers volunteer their working ranch in the Bearpaw Mountains to host the Bear Paw Bowmen Archery Club's annual Barber Ranch Two-Day Archery Shoot. Last weekend marked the competition's 20th anniversary.

Hundreds of archers spread out over different courses throughout the Barbers' ranch during the event. The competition ends with a community dinner.

Proceeds support local causes. Last year, funds from the Barber Ranch Two-Day Archery Shoot helped local volunteer fire departments following the devastating East Fork Fire in the Bearpaw Mountains.

Beyond their involvement in their local hunting community, the Barbers established a college scholarship. Since 2009, the Frank and Bettie Barber Scholarship has awarded more than \$9,000 to Montana State University-Northern agriculture students. Contributions from the Barbers benefit a growing number of students and create further opportunities for agricultural education in Montana.

Frank, a retired Marine, and Bettie, the daughter of a career Navy veteran, are also well known for their love of our country.

For their dedication to their community, commitment to agriculture scholarship, and generosity, I recognize Frank and Bettie Barber of Lloyd for representing the spirit of Montana.

## EDWARD DONAHUE

**HON. DONALD NORCROSS**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 21, 2018*

Mr. NORCROSS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Edward “Bud” Donahue, for his dedicated service to the United States Army. He is a resident of Deptford Township located in the New Jersey's First Congressional District.

Mr. Donahue enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1965, and trained as a Voice and Morse Code Radio Operator in Fort Jackson South Carolina. Upon graduating Radio school in 1965, he was assigned to the 1st Battalion 5th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division, in Vietnam as a Radio Operator. While assigned to the 1st Cavalry, Mr. Donahue received many honors; the Combat Infantry Badge (CIB), Air Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal with 3 Bronze Stars, and the Vietnam Service Medal.

Mr. Donahue was reassigned in 1966 to the 7th Army, 4th Battalion 44th Artillery in Germany, and a mobile Pershing Missile unit. He was promoted to Platoon Sergeant of the Communications Platoon. Mr. Donahue was a Sergeant (E5) in a Master Sergeant (E8) slot; Radio Teletype, Long Range Voice Radio, Message Center, and Crypto Programming. He was later tested and received a high proficiency rating.

On May 20, 1968, Mr. Donahue was separated from active duty at Fort Dix New Jersey, placed on inactive reserves, and received an Honorable Discharge on May 31, 1971.

Mr. Donahue returned to Philadelphia to marry his childhood sweetheart on September 6, 1969. He and his wife moved to Deptford in 1970 and have been here ever since. They now have 3 sons, 10 grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, Edward 'Bud' Donahue is an exceptional member of the community. I ask you to join me in honoring the service of Mr. Edward Donahue.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. JOHN B. LARSON

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 21, 2018*

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, on June 15, 2018—I was not present for roll call votes 267 to 268 as I was required to be in Connecticut for a memorial service. If I had been present for these votes, I would have voted: Nay on roll call vote 267; and Nay on roll call vote 268.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF WAYNE ALTERISIO

### HON. ANN M. KUSTER

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 21, 2018*

Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with great pride and admiration for Mr. Wayne Alterisio, and I offer my sincere thanks to him for his years of service to our state as the former President of the New Hampshire Letter Carriers Association.

Through his work with the New Hampshire AFL-CIO, the 'Stamp Out Hunger' Food Drive and the Nashua Central Labor Council, Wayne has made meaningful contributions to our community and our state. It is Granite Staters like Wayne who make New Hampshire such an incredibly special place to live, work, and raise a family.

On behalf of New Hampshire's Second Congressional District, I thank Wayne again for his distinguished public service, and I wish him the best.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 21, 2018*

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, on June 20, 2018, I was unavoidably detained due to a death in the family. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 272; YEA on Roll Call No. 273; YEA on Roll Call No. 274; NAY on Roll Call No. 275; and YEA on Roll Call No. 276.

#### JOHN T. MARGIE

### HON. DONALD NORCROSS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 21, 2018*

Mr. NORCROSS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor United States Marine Corps Combat veteran, Mr. John T. Margie of Deptford Township in New Jersey's First Congressional District.

Mr. Margie was born in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. In September 1948, he trained for three months at the MCRD, Parris Island, South Carolina. After completing his training, he then entered an infantry exercise on the USS *Worcester* in the Mediterranean Sea.

In June of 1950, when North Korea invaded South Korea, Mr. Margie, along with his fellow soldiers, shipped abroad to the Suez Canal, South China Sea, Japan and Korea; contributing to the decisive battle of the Korean War, the "Battle of Chosin Reservoir".

After serving overseas, Corporal Margie became a Marine Recruiter in Defiance, Ohio, receiving the title of "Outstanding Recruiter of the Year". While transporting new recruits to Parris Island, he contracted Polio; however, with support from the U.S. Navy doctors, nurses and his family, he remarkably regained the ability to move.

Upon retirement, Mr. Margie received numerous awards including, the Legion of Honor, the New Jersey Volunteer of the Year Award, National Shipmate of the Year, Fleet Reserve Association award, the Human Goals award, the Commanders Naval Sea System Command award, and the Deptford Citizen of the Year award.

Following his formal service to the United States Armed Forces, Mr. Margie's contributions continued. He served as Co-Founder of the Semper Fidelis Detachment, Marine Corps League, Wenonah American Legion, VFW, Disabled American Veterans, the Fleet Reserve Association, and the Chosin Few; an organizations former for survivors of the Chosin Reservoir Battle of 1950.

Mr. John T. Margie is an honorable American, having served our great nation in a time of war, and merits our collective appreciation.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to join me in saluting John T. Margie for his heroism, his sacrifice in the Korean War, and his service to the United States of America.

#### HALL OF FAME—NAPLES ZOO

### HON. FRANCIS ROONEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 21, 2018*

Mr. FRANCIS ROONEY of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Naples Zoo on its recent induction into the Trip Advisor Hall of Fame.

The Naples Zoo earned this designation after receiving five consecutive annual 'Certificates of Excellence' from Trip Advisor. Maintaining such an impressive record is no small feat, and requires a relentless commitment to quality customer service. An excellent visitor experience is a top priority of the staff at the Zoo, and their devotion to providing the best possible visit to the guest is indicative of the welcoming spirit present throughout Naples.

I am proud to recognize the Naples Zoo for its achievement, and gladly point to it as another shining example of the strong tourist appeal of Southwest Florida.

#### EULOGY FOR J. BRIAN GAFFNEY

### HON. JOHN B. LARSON

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 21, 2018*

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to include in the RECORD, a eulogy of J. Brian Gaffney. Brian was an exceptional man, devoted to his family, his community New Britain, his state of Connecticut, his Nation, and of course Notre Dame. The world of politics where Brian and many of his peers came of age in was a world where loyalty was, and still is, a tremendous value.

At his funeral service, the outpouring of the community had to be heartwarming for his beautiful and gracious wife, Mary Lou, and the entire Gaffney family. As they embraced a grateful public, the stories, the respect and the Irish humor were ever present, just what Brian would have wanted. I knew Brian but felt a special kinship to him from the stories told by Jay Malcynsky, his daughter Alicia, and his son-in-law Fritz.

Brian was the kind of man that when he held court, you wanted a front row seat to hear him. It's hard to capture the impact, the complexity of a man and his expansive influence. It was done in exceptional form by former Republican Chairman Chris Healy.

His remarks, his candor, his insights were the talk of the wake and captured the essence of a great American.

"John Brian Gaffney had as big and colorful a ride as any Connecticut politician over the last 60 years. He made New Britain a Republican town, he served locally and at the state Capitol, orchestrated the rise of a Congressman and then Governor, knew Presidents by name, ruled like a true state Party chairman, practiced law, raised six children with his wife of 5 years, Mary Louise, and got in lots of golf at Shuttle Meadow.

Gaffney left this earth at age 85 this past week and with it a record for the ages during a time where honor, loyalty and laughter were the currency of the political realm. He was a New Britain guy, through and through and never lost his bearings about the important things—friendship, family and loyalty.

His life reads like a novel by Edwin O'Connor—a graduate of Notre Dame University and Fordham Law School, who joined the family law practice and apprenticed in the close quarter combat of Hardware City politics.

Thomas J. Meskill, also a local lawyer, who was tagged by one columnist during the day as all "Irish Fight" lured Gaffney into running for the Board of Alderman when he took another shot at the Mayor's office.

They both won and within eight years, they had lined themselves up to take on the formidable Democrat machine, led by John Bailey, a former National Democrat chairman and merciless operator by which all others were measured.

Meskill and Gaffney proved more than up for the task at hand, hardened by their City Hall experience. Once, Mayor Meskill had city police haul recalcitrant Democrat Aldermen back to a meeting when they walked out to deny him a quorum.

By late 1969, Gaffney's plate was full and overflowing. He had a part-time job doing Congressional field work for Meskill, practiced law, helped Paul Manafort Sr. hold the Mayor's office, had a seat in the state House representing the 29th District and chaired the local town committee.

Democrats had owned the governor's mansion since 1955 and 1970 would be the first