Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington D.C., Darnall Army Community Hospital at Fort Hood, TX, 549th Area Support Medical Company at Fort Hood, TX, 28th CSH at Fort Benning, GA, 115th CSH at Fort Polk, LA, United States Army Sergeant Major Academy at Fort Bliss, TX, and the 44th Medical Brigade at Fort Bragg, NC.

Kiyoshi's overseas assignments include 560th Ground Ambulance Medical Company in Korea, 549th Area Support Medical Company in Croatia, Wurzburg MEDDAC in Germany, Benincaso Pavilion in Italy, and Tripler Army Medical Center in Hawaii.

She has deployed to Cuba, Croatia, Iraq, and Afghanistan for combat and peacekeeping missions

Her education includes the Primary Leadership Development Course, Basic and Advanced NCO Course, First Sergeant Course, Sergeants Major Academy, Master Resilience Trainer, Deployable Medical Equipment Course, Equal Opportunity Leader Course, Unit Antiterrorism Advisor Level One Course, Deployable Sexual Assault Response Coordinator, Airborne School, and the Military License Practical Nurse School.

She also has an associate degree in General Studies.

Her awards and decorations include Bronze Star Medal (2nd award), Meritorious Service Medal (5th award), Army Commendation Medal (12th award), Army Achievement Medal (10th award), Army Superior Unit Award, Meritorious Unit Citation (2nd award), Army Good Conduct Medal (9th award), National Defense Service Medal (Bronze Star), Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, NCOPD Ribbon (Numeral 5), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (Numeral 7), NATO Service Medal (2nd award), Parachutist Badge, EFMB Badge and the Drivers Mechanic Badge. She is also a Sergeant Audie Murphy recipient.

She is the daughter of Ignacio and Teresa P. Kiyoshi and the eldest of eight siblings. She has two daughters, Teresa and Marilyn Hernandez

Upon retirement, CSM Kiyoshi plans to return to Tinian and serve her Familia, the Northern Marianas community.

All of us in the Marianas congratulate CSM Dolores Pangelinan Kiyoshi on her success. We thank her for her service. And we look forward to the day we welcome her home to stay.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

## HON. SCOTT TAYLOR

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Mr. TAYLOR. Mr. Speaker, due to a meeting at the White House, I missed the following votes. Had I been present, I would have voted Yea on Roll Call No. 291; Yea on Roll Call No. 292; and Yea on Roll Call No. 293.

UPON THE OCCASION OF THE RETIREMENT OF PAT MARTEL FROM THE POSITION OF CITY MANAGER OF DALY CITY

## HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Pat Martel, the retiring City Manager of Daly City, California. Pat has served the people of Daly City, in one important capacity or another, for nearly two decades. To say that this is the end of an era in San Mateo County would be a profound understatement.

Pat Martel spent thirty-five years in local government service. The people of Inglewood, South San Francisco, San Francisco, and Daly City have all benefitted from Pat's steady hand and well-recognized skill at forming coalitions. She runs a city by the numbers, but with a heart. This is exemplified in part by her participation in nonprofit activities where she has served as Chair of Peninsula Family Service Agency, a nonprofit dedicated to helping struggling families in San Mateo County. She dedicated her life to her fellow professionals by volunteering to serve as a board member of the California City Management Foundation, served on the City Managers Department of the League of California Cities, and volunteered for the board of the International Hispanic Network.

I have worked with Pat Martel for decades. Many of my most important judgments were informed by Pat's advice. During the crucial time when San Francisco was determining how to upgrade and reinforce the critical Hetch Hetchy water system, serving 2.4 million users in San Francisco and the Bay Area, Pat assured me that city voters would pass the bond needed to make repairs. This reassurance led me to work with Pat and many others to get the measure passed and to establish a local government oversight board for the project. Without question, the water supply of these millions of people and businesses is more secure because Pat Martel was in the job when the job needed a tremendous leader.

The City of Daly City has undergone enormous changes since Pat arrived. It has always been a thriving commercial and cultural center on the Peninsula. "The Gateway to the Peninsula" is the city's motto, and Pat and her team kept the gateway sparkling and thriving despite sometimes difficult economic times over the years. Above all else, Daly City is a city of families. Pat is recognized as a strong advocate for city services such as libraries and parks that draw people together so that the fabric of community may be created and reinforced.

She is a graduate of the University of Southern California from which she received her B.S. degree in Public Affairs, and a Master's Degree in Public Administration. She is an ICMA Credentialed Manager and, in 2014, she was elected as a Fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration. Pat also has numerous other awards from her years of service, including those from the San Francisco Business Times and Kaiser Permanente and KQED radio, all of which recognized her as an outstanding manager and leader.

Daly City sits on the bluffs above the Pacific Ocean, at its edges defying gravity as its cliff

faces plunge into the water and its hang gliders dare nature in their soaring beauty. It is a complex place filled with honest and hardworking people. Even on its foggiest and windiest days, the people of Daly City are a furnace of good spirits and community pride.

Over the years, the city has known many local giants who, collectively, first developed local dairy farms into housing, brought in freeways and mass transit, and then decades later redeveloped the town into a modern suburb housing families from every point on the globe. All of those prior local giants would have embraced Pat Martel, just as the modern population extends its hand to her in thanks.

Since there really isn't a place on the city's ocean front from which to launch a ship into the sunset, I expect to instead see Pat Martel poised under a hang glider, atop a bluff, as she leaves her city behind. As she's done in the past, she will have done her homework so that she will not only soar with the others, but lead them as well into new expanses. We wish Pat well and know that she will not fail in her next adventure, for no one who knows her could imagine anything but success in all her future years. She will take her colorful kite with her, but behind she will leave a rainbow of good wishes and a pot of gold-a legacy of great management and great love for all people—for the next generation to treasure.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO COLONEL FRANK E. WENDLING UPON HIS RETIREMENT

#### HON. BRADLEY BYRNE

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Mr. BYRNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Colonel Frank E. Wendling upon his retirement from the U.S. Marine Corps. Wendling most recently served as the Senior Marine Liaison Officer to the Commander Naval Education and Training Command in Pensacola, Florida.

Colonel Wendling, a native of Dearborn, Michigan, has served our nation in the U.S. Marine Corps for over 29 years. Within this period of dedicated service, Colonel Wendling received designation as a Naval Aviator, completed two Mediterranean deployments with the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, taught on the Air War College Faculty as a Seminar Director and Leadership and Warfighting Professor at Maxwell Air Force Base, and accumulated over 3,675 flight hours, amongst many other designations.

Colonel Wendling graduated from The University of South Alabama with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering in 1988. In 2004, Wendling earned a Master's Degree in Military Operational Art and Science from the Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, Alabama. In 2006, he earned a second Master's Degree from Maxwell Air Force Base in Air Power Art and Science. In 2009, Wendling earned a third Master's Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College at Naval Station, Newport, Rhode Island.

Colonel Wendling has accumulated a commendable number of awards for his time served in the U.S. Marine Corps, including the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion

of Merit, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with gold star in lieu of second award, and the single mission Air Medal with Combat Distinguishing Device, as well as others.

Mr. Speaker, it is people like Colonel Wendling who make the United States the greatest nation on the face of the earth. His commitment to serving our country and his community should serve as a shining example to the next generation.

On behalf of Alabama's First Congressional District and the countless people his leadership has impacted, I wish Colonel Wendling all the best upon his retirement. His tireless service to our country will not be forgotten.

RECOGNIZING THE 2018 MEXICAN AMERICAN COUNCIL SCHOLARS

## HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize the Mexican American Council (MAC), the Garza family, and the 2018 MAC Scholars.

On May 29th, the Mexican American Council celebrated the 34th Annual Farmworker Student Recognition Ceremony at the Homestead Miami Speedway.

In 1984, MAC's founder Cip Garza began this prestigious event to honor the academic achievements of Miami-Dade County's farmworker graduates.

In collaboration with Miami-Dade County Public Schools and Career Source South Florida, MAC awarded over \$150,000 in scholarships this year.

I wish to congratulate the following students on their phenomenal success and include the 2018 MAC Scholars in the RECORD:

Kassandra Castillo

Luis Diaz-Lopez

Jazmin S. Espinoza

Jenri Guerrero

Lissette Hernandez

Ugenie Jean

Kevyn Jimenez

Aleena Jones

Mari Marquez

Christella Nazaire

Blanca Rosas

Sinttia Rosas

Naila Sanchez Manaika Saintyl

Giselle Trejo-Ramirez

Dulce Velasquez

Noelia Villa

Mr. Speaker, Cip and Maria Garza have done so much to benefit the lives of countless migrant families and Hispanic students in South Florida. I would like to thank them and everyone else at the Mexican American Council for all their tireless work. Once again, congratulations to all of the 2018 MAC Scholars, their enthusiasm, creativity, and entrepreneurship represent the best values of our diverse nation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

## HON. SAM JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 295.

RECOGNIZING THE WINDSOR/ STEWARDSON-STRASBURG HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL TEAM

## HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Windsor/Stewardson-Strasburg High School Softball Team. The WSS Hatchets are now the 2018 IHSA Class 1A State Champions.

The Hatchets won the state title game 8-5 to cap off a season with a record of 28 wins and four losses before facing the Goreville Blackcats in an exciting championship game. The Blackcats had a terrific performance, mounting a comeback after facing a six-run deficit to begin the game. However, due to their stellar pitching and timely hitting, the WSS Hatchets earned a hard-fought and welldeserved victory.

I would like to congratulate the entire WSS Softball Team on their victory: Megan Schlechte, Machenzi Tabbert, Ava Bennett, Hannah Hayes, Mackinzee Reynolds, Carson Cole, Sydney Taber, Katrina Davis, Mackenzie Brown, Theresa Davis, Anna Schlechte, Taylor Rentfro, Calla Roney, Madison Everett, Kassie Vonderheide, Makenna Taber, Paig Rentfro, Maggie Kelly and their coach Craig Moffett. Congratulations on a superb end to a great

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor for me to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of Windsor/Stewardson-Strasburg the High School Softball Team in winning the 2018 IHSA Class 1A State Title. I wish the team and their coach all the best in the future.

HONORING THE LIFE OF KARL WICKSTROM

## HON. BRIAN J. MAST

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Mr. MAST. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Florida Sportsman founder Karl Wickstrom, who passed away on June 26, 2018 in Stuart, Florida.

Throughout his life, he was a passionate and inspiring champion for Florida's waterways. For decades, he supported organizations like the Rivers Coalition in the fight for cleaner waters in our community. His strong legacy of environmental activism will live on in the important work that each of the organizations he supported continues to do.

In addition to his lasting legacy in the form of laws protecting Florida's environment, he is also responsible for inspiring an entirely new

generation of champions for clean water. Because of his journalism and activism, his ideas for environmental protection will continue to reverberate through our communities for decades to come.

Mr. Speaker, it is incumbent upon all of us to take up this legacy, continue his fight, protect our estuaries and send the water south. While we continue to mourn the loss of this environmental visionary and pray for his family, let us also use this opportunity to fulfill his vision for a safer, healthier and stronger Flor-

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

## HON. TODD ROKITA

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Mr. ROKITA, Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained during this vote series. Had I been present. I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 287, and YEA on Roll Call No. 288.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

## HON. GWEN MOORE

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Ms. MOORE, Mr. Speaker, on June 25, I missed Roll Call votes 289 and 290. Had I been present, I would have voted YES on Roll Call 289 regarding the Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act of 2018 and YES on Roll Call 290 related to H.R. 5783.

> IN MEMORY OF WAYNE T. VENDETTO, SR.

# HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the life of one of Connecticut's most dedicated public servants, Mr. Wayne T. Vendetto, Sr. Mr. Vendetto passed away in February, and I would be remiss not to take a moment to reflect on his years of dedication to his hometown. He was a patriot, a first responder, a democrat, a family man, and above all, a community servant.

A native of New London, CT, Wayne graduated from New London High School in 1962. In addition to his career at Sears, Roebuck & Co., he was a Connecticut State Marshal for 40 years.

Wayne honorably defended his country in the Connecticut National Guard and as a reservist. He also protected his neighbors as a volunteer firefighter and foreman at the former F.L. Allen Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 for 10 years, and was president of the New London Firemen's Association. In this capacity Wayne became famous for hosting the association's convention and parades, considered to be the biggest and best in the state.

Wayne was also active in local politics. He served on the New London Board of Education for 10 years and eventually became a