

students with amenities that segregated schools often lacked, including musical instruments and electric fans. Brownsville ISD named her "Elementary School Teacher of the Year" in 1975.

Mittie A. Pullam Elementary School opened in 2009, honoring Mrs. Pullam's 28-year career providing our children with an equal opportunity. She attended the groundbreaking ceremony and was joined by the school's first class of students, the future leaders in our region.

I am pleased to recognize Mrs. Pullam for her outstanding career in Texas' 34th Congressional District, especially as an educator during a difficult time in our history. We are all thankful for her critical role in fighting for justice across the Rio Grande Valley. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mittie A. Pullam, her family, and friends for her success.

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REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF  
ROBERT "SCAT" SCATTERDAY, JR.

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**HON. DAVID B. MCKINLEY**

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 30, 2019*

Mr. MCKINLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise to remember the life of Robert "Scat" Scatterday, Jr., of Wheeling, WV, a businessman, retired professor, a Vietnam veteran, a father and a friend.

Scatterday was known throughout our community for his leadership and service to others. For over 30 years I had the privilege of calling him my friend.

He retired from the U.S. Air Force as a major with 37 years of service, including 136 combat missions in the Vietnam War. His military decorations include the Bronze Star.

Scatterday spent 30 years teaching at Belmont Technical College in Belmont, Ohio, and treated every citizen of Wheeling, West Virginia, as part of his family.

Scatterday was active in the Wheeling community. He helped plan the Ogden Newspapers Half Marathon Classic and other events.

He served as a board member of the Ohio River Valley Council of the Boy Scouts of America; founded the Golden Gathering in Wheeling; supported the United Way of Upper Ohio Valley and Young Life in the Ohio Valley.

Scatterday inspired all those around him; he was a quiet, unassuming and humble man, a caring and thoughtful father and grandfather, and a wonderful friend.

He will be missed but remembered for everything he contributed to the Wheeling community and the positive difference he made in the lives of so many.

Scatterday is survived by his four children, his seven grandchildren and his large extended family.

May he rest in peace.

RECOGNITION OF NORFOLK'S  
LONGEST SERVING POLICE OFFICER

**HON. ELAINE G. LURIA**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 30, 2019*

Mrs. LURIA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize Captain Wallace Driskell Jr.'s 45 years of service with the Norfolk Police Department. His selfless work, bravery, and dedication have made the City of Norfolk a better place.

The health of our community depends on public servants. I want to thank Captain Driskell for dedicating his life's work to the safety, health, and wellbeing of his neighbors.

Captain Driskell has been an effective leader and worked his way up from patrol officer to captain.

His dedication to our city is inspiring, and I am confident that he has improved the lives and safety of many in the community.

I congratulate Captain Driskell on his retirement. I commend him for his selfless work, and I want to thank him for faithfully keeping the City of Norfolk safe for 45 years. I am confident he will continue to make an impact on the community.

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HONORING THE SERVICE AND  
LEGACY OF ANDREW J. MULDER

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**HON. BILL HUIZENGA**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 30, 2019*

Mr. HUIZENGA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the legacy of Andrew J. Mulder and his decades of commendable service to the community in Holland, Michigan.

Two years after the start of his career in October of 1976 as the Deputy City Attorney for the City of Holland, Andrew extended his responsibilities in his capacity as an advisor to the Holland City Council. In 1987, after over a decade of proven service, Andrew was promoted to City Attorney. Andrew served in this capacity until deciding to focus the last five years of his career on legal work surrounding the new electricity generation plant of the Holland Board of Public Works.

Throughout his career, Andrew's heart for public service and the rule of law led him to serve on multiple boards for various legal organizations and associations. Andrew served on the Board of Directors of the Michigan Municipal Attorneys Association from 1995 to 2011, and was the President of the Association from 2007 to 2009. From 1995 to 2011, Andrew served on the Legal Defense Fund of the Michigan Municipal League, and from 2012 to 2019, Andrew served in the Academy of Municipal Attorneys.

Andrew's long list of accomplishments include the execution of legal portions of major projects like the Holland Area Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion, negotiating water contracts between the City of Holland and adjoining Townships, for the development of a new police department and courthouse in Holland, for the construction of a new Civic Center and associated farmer's market expansion, for the renovation of Holland's City Hall, the

implementation of Holland's renowned Snowmelt system, construction of the City Transportation Center, legal considerations for the State Boundary Commission Annexation and Detachment Project, legal work for the Kollen Park Improvement Project, and for Holland's Energy Park. Additionally, Andrew diligently litigated a number of cases on behalf of the City of Holland before Michigan's Supreme Court. These cases included *Meadowlands v. City of Holland*, *Adams Outdoor Advertising v. City of Holland*, *Fillmore Township v. City of Holland*, and *City of Holland v. Consumers Energy*.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the Second Congressional District of Michigan, we thank Andrew J. Mulder for his more than 40 years of distinguished service to the residents of Holland, and to our great nation.

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HONORING DR. CHARLES  
RURANGIRWA AT CONGRESSMAN  
VELA'S BLACK HISTORY MONTH  
CELEBRATION

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**HON. FILEMON VELA**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 30, 2019*

Mr. VELA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Charles Rurangirwa for his leadership and contributions in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

Dr. Rurangirwa earned his pre-med and medical degrees at Montemorelos University in Mexico. After medical school, Dr. Rurangirwa completed a rigorous four-year residency program in Obstetrics and Gynecology (OB/GYN) at the King-Drew University of Medicine and Science under the Drew/UCLA Medical Education Program. His commitment and expertise have been recognized by his peers, faculty and staff. He has garnered many accolades throughout his career, including "Best Teaching Resident" award in OB/GYN by Ortho Pharmaceutical, "Most Outstanding Resident" award by the Drew-University of California—Los Angeles Class, and "Best Graduating Resident" by King-Drew Medical Center; and acted as Executive Chief Resident in OB/GYN from July 1996 to June 1997.

In 1997, Dr. Rurangirwa arrived in Brownsville and opened his private practice in OB/GYN, providing years of care for women in our community. Outside of the office, Dr. Rurangirwa volunteers at the Mary P. Lucio Health Center, a clinic in Brownsville dedicated to serving those who cannot afford health care. His contributions help the Rio Grande Valley, and serve as an example to our neighbors and the State of Texas in the health and care of women.

I am pleased to recognize Dr. Rurangirwa for his positive and compassionate work in Texas' 34th Congressional District. Brownsville is thankful for his unwavering service and dedication, setting an example for future doctors in the region. I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating him, his family, and friends on this special occasion.

VALERIE BRATHWAITE: JUSTICE,  
MOTHER, WIFE, ADVOCATE

## HON. GREGORY W. MEEKS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2019

Mr. MEEKS. Madam Speaker, The Honorable Valerie Brathwaite Nelson, a justice of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, Second Department, which is the intermediate Appellate Court in New York State, was appointed in February 2016 by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, making history as the first African-American female from the County of Queens to be elevated to Associate Justice of the Appellate Division.

Justice Brathwaite Nelson was educated in the New York City Public School System, is a graduate of Syracuse University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and received her Juris Doctor degree from the George Washington School of Law. Having married the greatest joy of her life Nicholas J. Nelson, adding to that union three children whom she considers her most important and greatest achievement.

Justice Brathwaite Nelson began her distinguished career as a Law Clerk with U.S. Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm, as well as serving in a variety of public and private legal capacities prior to establishing her private practice of law. Her approach to leadership is exemplified by her firm belief in the concept of teamwork and empowerment. Her focus has been to lead by example, while re-energizing and transforming the culture of the judicial institutions she has led. Credited with making tangible changes in the lives of women of color and their families both domestically and abroad through meaningful partnership, her commitment to the Judicial System and her respect for the value of our law resulted in her receiving numerous honors and recognition; Therefore, be it

That I, Gregory W. Meeks, Member of the 116th Congress, representing the Fifth Congressional District of New York, congratulate Valerie Brathwaite Nelson for her dedicated service to quality legal practice. On behalf of the 723,000 residents of the Fifth Congressional District, I thank Valerie Brathwaite Nelson for her outstanding and ongoing commitment to making positive contributions to our society's wellbeing.

STAFF SERGEANT PHILIP DAILY  
RECEIVING FRENCH LEGION OF  
HONOR MEDAL

## HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

Mr. BUCK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the service and sacrifice of Staff Sergeant (SSG) Philip Daily, and to congratulate him for receiving the French Legion of Honor Medal from the French government. I believe that our nation's men and women in uniform are America's greatest assets. They have made incredible sacrifices for our country and deserve our utmost support and respect for their service.

SSG Daily honorably served the United States and her allies during World War II. During his 25th mission as a B-17 tail gunner with the 772 Bomb Squadron, 463rd Bomb Group, 15th Air Force, SSG Daily's plane was shot down. He spent the remainder of the war at Stalag Luft IV Prisoner-of-war camp near Gross Tychow, Germany. SSG Daily's strength enabled him to survive the camp and endure the winter march of prisoners. The French Legion of Honor Medal is France's highest distinction for military and civil service. SSG Daily is well deserving for his assistance in liberating France from Nazi control.

Our nation owes no greater debt of gratitude than the one we owe our veterans. They and their families should be commended. On behalf of the Fourth Congressional District of Colorado, I extend my best wishes and deepest gratitude to SSG Daily.

Madam Speaker, it is an honor to recognize SSG Philip Daily for his commitment to family, community, and the United States of America.

## HONORING GARY WEST AT CONGRESSMAN VELA'S BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION

### HON. FILEMON VELA

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

Mr. VELA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Gary West of Brownsville, Texas, for his distinguished career as an educator for more than 40 years in the Rio Grande Valley.

As a teenager, Mr. West attended George Washington Carver Segregated School in Edinburg, Texas until 1955. After graduating from Edinburg High School in 1962, Mr. West attended New Mexico Highlands University, where he was a member of the college's baseball team. He later enlisted in the United States Air Force. Upon his return from the service, Mr. West attended Pan American College of Edinburg, Texas, where he earned bachelor's and master's degrees.

In 1970, he began his career as a history teacher in the Brownsville Independent School District (ISD) system, first at Cummings Jr. High School, and then at Rivera High School. An avid golfer, Mr. West was the golf coach for the high school teams, as well as part-time golf coach at Texas Southmost College, from 1970 through 2000.

He later joined the staff at Gutierrez Middle School in Harlingen where he taught history and coached the chess team. Mr. West dedicated himself to providing students with the best possible education until his retirement in 2014.

It is a tremendous honor to recognize Mr. West. Our district and country are very proud of his service, and his students and colleagues benefitted greatly from his commitment to educating and developing young leaders. I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating him for his work, honor, and accomplishments.

## SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all

meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, January 31, 2019 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

## MEETINGS SCHEDULED

FEBRUARY 5

10 a.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine the outlook for energy and minerals markets in the 116th Congress.

SD-366

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine how primary care affects health care costs and outcomes.

SD-430

10:30 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies

To hold hearings to examine an implementation update on the Department of Veterans Affairs' electronic health record modernization.

SD-124

FEBRUARY 6

9:30 a.m.

Special Committee on Aging

To hold hearings to examine financial security in retirement, focusing on innovations and best practices to promote savings.

SD-562

10 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine worldwide threats.

SH-216

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Business meeting to consider subcommittee assignments and an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 116th Congress; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine winning the race to 5G and the next era of technology innovation in the United States.

SD-G50

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Organizational business meeting to consider committee rules and an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 116th Congress.

SD-342