

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CONGRATULATING BLAIR OAKS HIGH SCHOOL FOR WINNING THE 2018 MISSOURI CLASS 2 STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Blair Oaks Falcons Football team for winning the 2018 Missouri Class 2 State Football Championship.

With a perfect record of 15–0, the Blair Oaks Falcons Football team and coaching staff should be commended for all of their hard work throughout this past year and for bringing home the state championship to their school and community.

Please join me in congratulating the coaching staff: Ted LePage; assistant coaches: Kevin Alewine, Lerone Briggs, John Butler, Mike Cook, Josh Linnenbrink, Mason Swisher, Andrew Terpstra; manager: Ben Stockman; and the players: Kamron Morris, Jayden Purdy, Nolan Hair, Gavin Wekenborg, Seth DeWesplore, Cade Stockman, Zach Herigon, Cobi Marble, Carson Prenger, Sam Luebbering, Jake Closser, Ian Nolph, Braydan Pritchett, Riley Lentz, Cadon Garber, Levi Haney, Josh Bischoff, Hayden Ellis, Adam Hughes, Zach Goeller, Trinity Scott, Griffin Herst, Kyler Griep, Adam Jurgensmeyer, Collin Branum, Jordan Keesler, Nico Canale, Conner Wilson, Nolan Atnip, John Benward, Zack Wilbers, Carson Bax, Cale Willson, Caleb Buechter, James Thomson, Austin Lange, Corban Bennett, Shane Gillmore, Andrew Luebbering, Rylee Niekamp, Benner Thomas, Ayden Chouinard, Isaiah Prenger, Grant Laune, and Marcus Edler on their dedication to the game and focus throughout the season.

I ask you to join me in recognizing the Blair Oaks Falcons Football team for a job well done.

HONORING RUTH WOLFE JOHNSON

HON. GREG PENCE

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Mr. PENCE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor my friend, Ruth Johnson, who recently passed away at the age of 86 in Columbus, Indiana.

Born in Sullivan County, Ruth was the eighth child of Ora and Ann Wolfe. She attended Indiana State University and then went to work at Shell Oil Company. Ruth met—and later married—Dick Johnson, who had purchased a Shell distributorship in Columbus. Ruth and Dick worked together to grow the Johnson Oil Company.

Ruth played an integral role in the Columbus community and throughout the State of In-

diana. Ruth's extraordinary civic leadership included service through many social organizations including PEO, Harrison Lake Garden Club and the Monday literary club. Ruth actively supported Indiana University and served on the advisory boards for the School of Arts and Sciences and Jacobs School of Music.

Ruth and Dick were part of a small group that cofounded Fairlawn Presbyterian Church in 1961. She and Dick donated property for the Salvation Army to build a support center, sponsored the Johnson Center for Entrepreneurship at I.U., the Johnson Distinguished Guest Artist series at the Columbus Philharmonic, and publication of "The Birds of Indiana" by Bill Zimmerman.

The Pence family knew Ruth for many years and considered her a close friend. Ruth was a generous person who will be remembered fondly and greatly missed.

Ruth is survived by her children, Jenny Johnson of Nashville, Rick Johnson (Alice) of Columbus; two grandchildren, Richard "Ricky" Loomis Johnson III and Ann "Annie" Elizabeth Johnson.

May god rest her soul and bring comfort to her family and friends as we mourn her loss and celebrate her life here on earth.

RECOGNIZING MASON DAUGHERTY AND ELI SCOTT

HON. VAN TAYLOR

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Mr. TAYLOR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mason Daugherty and Eli Scott from McKinney, Texas on winning the 2019 C-SPAN video documentary competition.

Their documentary, "What It Means to be American: Citizen Accountability in Government" highlights how the United States Constitution intended to instill power within the American people and how corruption within our system of government diverts that power away from individuals.

Like these impressive 11th graders from Imagine International Academy of North Texas, I too believe power must rest with we the people. Working together, we can bring about real change in Washington.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues in the House of Representatives join me today in congratulating Mason Daugherty and Eli Scott on their achievement.

CODY MAIER

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Cody Maier for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Cody Maier is a student at Arvada High School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Cody Maier is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Cody Maier for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

INTRODUCTION OF DUI REPORTING ACT OF 2019

HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Mr. COHEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of the DUI Reporting Act, a bill I introduced today with my colleague, STEVE CHABOT, along with the support of Mothers Against Drunk Driving.

If enacted, this bill would address the loophole in our nation's drunk-driving laws that enables repeat DUI offenders to be charged and tried as first-time offenders because of inconsistent reporting.

Currently, when police make a drunk driving arrest, they don't always have access to information about all of the driver's previous arrests for driving under the influence.

The reason is because not all police departments report DUI arrests to either the National Crime Information Center, or "NCIC" for short, or the Next Generation Identification database, or "NGI," which are the national crime databases that can be made instantly available to police right from their patrol cars.

The consequences of this lack of reporting can prove tragic. Just a few years ago there was a terrible accident in northern Mississippi, just outside of my Congressional District. Two teenagers from Memphis were killed when the car they were driving was struck by a drunk driver who had accrued seven DUI charges since 2008 and had been allowed to plead guilty five times to a first-offense DUI.

When the law enforcement officer ran the suspect's driving record in the national database, his past DUI convictions never showed up.

This is shameful. A DUI somewhere should be recognized as a DUI anywhere. It should not matter where you were caught driving drunk. If you drive drunk, previous offenses should be recorded and penalties should increase so innocent lives can be saved.

The accrual of multiple first-time DUI offenses is unconscionable and must be ended.

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Our bill will save lives by enacting commonsense, bipartisan reforms to harmonize reporting standards for DUI offenses across the states.

I urge my colleagues to help pass it quickly.

INTRODUCTION OF THE SUPPORTING CHILDREN OF THE NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE ACT

HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, according to the U.S. Department of Education, more than 80 percent of military-connected children attend public schools. In 2011, the Government Accountability Office reported that data concerning the academic outcomes of these students was limited. In response, Congress passed the Every Student Succeeds Act, which included the military student identifier to require that public schools identify and report on the academic outcomes of military-connected students.

However, the military student identifier only includes children with a parent who is on active-duty in the Armed Forces. Children whose parents serve in the National Guard or Reserve Components are excluded from the military student identifier unless that parent serves full-time. These children still face unique challenges and stressors as members of the National Guard and Reserves often deploy within their respective state in response to state emergencies, directives, or while in training.

Therefore, the Supporting Children of the National Guard and Reserve Act expands the military student identifier to include children of the National Guard and Reserves.

This simple and straightforward change will provide invaluable data for educators, parents, and policymakers to understand the academic outcomes of all military-connected students.

CIERRA MARTINEZ

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Cierra Martinez for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Cierra Martinez is a student at Jefferson Jr./Sr. and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Cierra Martinez is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Cierra Martinez for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

IN HONOR OF CHESTER ELKIN

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Mr. BARR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a special man, Mr. Chester Elkin, of Madison County, Kentucky. Mr. Elkin is part of a special group of heroes that served our nation during World War II.

Mr. Elkin was born in the small community of Wallacetown in 1919. He served in the Army Air Corps from 1941 to 1946. Mr. Elkin was assigned to an airbase on Ie Jima Island, Okinawa, where he led the development of a runway for landing our aircraft. At the war's end, he was chosen to be in charge of receiving Japanese aircraft and their pilots as they surrendered. Mr. Elkin earned the American Theater Medal, American Defense Medal, Asiatic Pacific Theater Medal with 2 bronze stars, Good Conduct Ribbon, and the Victory Medal for his service in the war.

Mr. Elkin was a civic minded person from a young age and worked to benefit his community. While still in high school, he became the driver of his community's first school bus. At the age of 17, he opened a general store so local citizens would not have to travel to get needed supplies. He later bought property in and around Berea, enabling him to provide numerous new businesses and create jobs. He served on many committees and civic organizations for the Berea community. He was a part owner in Renfro Valley Entertainment, which draws visitors from all over the world. He has been an active member of the Wallacetown Baptist Church since he was a teenager. He has been a member of the American Legion Post 50 in Berea for many years. For 30 years, he served as County Game Warden. Mr. Elkin's involvement over many years resulted in improvements to the quality of life in Berea.

Mr. Elkin and his fellow veterans are true heroes. As members of the "Greatest Generation," they willingly served to protect and defend the freedoms that we enjoy today. I am humbled to honor the service of Mr. Chester Elkin before the United States Congress.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROSS SPANO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Mr. SPANO. Madam Speaker, I was not present for votes on March 5 through 6, 2019 due to an illness. Had I been present, I would have voted Yea on Roll Call No. 104; Yea on Roll Call No. 105; Nay on Roll Call No. 106; and Nay on Roll Call No. 107.

MIGUEL MAY

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Miguel May

for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Miguel May is a student at Arvada High School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Miguel May is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Miguel May for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

CONGRATULATING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2019 H.E.B. ISD AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Mr. MARCHANT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate thirty-three outstanding students from the Hurst-Euless-Bedford Independent School District who have been awarded the district's Awards of Excellence for the 2018–2019 school year.

The following students have been selected to receive this award due to their meritorious achievements within their respected disciplines. These students possess unique talents and experiences that have enabled their tremendous success within a diverse field of subjects, which include visual and performing arts, business and industry, science, mathematics, and communications, to name just a few.

Jack Alcorn, Troy Curtsinger, Davonia Williams, Jerry Manyvanh, Tristen Strawn, Alina Yoo, Martha Hernandez, Shakryia Bagley, Zachary Campbell, Khusbu Dalal, Jenna French, Alexa Hassell, Lauren Hill, Erin Millican, Mason Ornelas, Beverly Osoro, Nicholas Pena, Isabela Ponce, Coleen Roche, Haley Sawatis, Lauren Adams, Hadee Al Hassanawi, Eric Carlsen, Chloe Crane, Samuel Cusack, Jordan Edwards, Timothy Harris, Dylan Hurt, Nicholas Munoz, Aaron Norgaard, Jake Peters, Allan Stevens, Nelson Tran.

Through their hard work and dedication, these young men and women have built a strong foundation on which to continue their growth and education.

In addition to recognizing the students, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the fine educators who have worked to ensure the needs of these students are met and their talents are nurtured. It is with great pleasure that I recognize the following teachers from Hurst Hills Elementary, Central Junior High, L.D. Bell, Buinger CTE Academy, KEYS, and Trinity High School for their unwavering support of these students:

Lauren Allen, Carolyn Allen, Jo Ann Antinone, Ricky Balthrop, Jennifer Brockman, Tammy Brown, Richard Campanaro, Mario Casanova, Kathleen Chase, Trasa Cobern, Amanda Collins, Kenneth Davis, Christine Davis, Michael Dean,