

# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING UTAH VALLEY UNIVERSITY STUDENTS FOR ADVOCACY ON BEHALF OF WOMEN IN MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES AT THE 63RD SESSION OF THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

**HON. BEN McADAMS**

OF UTAH

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Mr. McADAMS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend the members of the Utah International Mountain Forum, a coalition of student clubs at Utah Valley University (UVU) on efforts to advance sustainable mountain development around the world. These accomplished 13 students help highlight how UVU's Student Engaged Learning (SEL) model gives students opportunities for both professional advancement and the chance to work with local, state, national and international leaders to foster sustainable development, particularly for women and girls.

Through SEL, students take the lead in learning how to solve problems by collaborating with faculty mentors. Most of the students are nontraditional students who work full- or part-time, are 25 years or older and support a family while attending school.

Months of preparation preceded the New York event. They partnered with two prominent NGS—the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences and Utah China Friendship Improvement Sharing Hands Development and Cooperation—to submit goals for addressing food insecurity, education access and climate change effects in mountain communities. They participated in global events such as the 61st and 62nd Commission on the Status of Women and organized celebrations on International Mountain Day and International Women's Day that brought high-level diplomats from around the world to see Utah's efforts firsthand.

During CSW63, the students hosted a parallel event to highlight the successful implementation of UVU's engaged learning model to address issues facing women and girls in Utah. It also showcased international women studying in Utah. Individual students presented their own work, including Hannah Bieker who spoke on her peers' service projects in support of impoverished women in Mexico; Megan Davis spoke on Utah's distinction as the first state to allow women to vote; William Gum-Causey spoke on Utah and UVU's efforts to address aspects of the state's rural/urban economic divide; and Aldon Trimble spoke on joint UVU-Oxford University research about Utah's air quality and how Utah addresses the problems of the children of incarcerated parents.

These combined efforts and events allowed the UVU delegation to demonstrate the role that students—particularly nontraditional students—play in contributing to sustainable development in both Utah and mountain commu-

nities around the world. By empowering themselves, the students help empower other communities and the women and girls residing there.

CONGRATULATING SUSAN KUBORN FOR WINNING A GOLD MEDAL IN THE 1,500 METER RUN AT THE 2019 SPECIAL OLYMPICS WORLD GAMES

**HON. CHERI BUSTOS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Susan Kuborn of Rockford for winning a gold medal at the 2019 Special Olympics World Games held in Abu Dhabi.

Susan Kuborn knew that this was a "once-in-a-lifetime" opportunity and she trained hard to win gold in the 1,500 meter run. Ms. Kuborn was one of only seven athletes from Illinois to compete at the Special Olympics World Games. As a former athlete, I appreciate the fortitude Ms. Kuborn displayed to achieve her dream of winning gold and commend her for her outstanding efforts. Ms. Kuborn is an example of the importance of dedication and a strong work ethic. I am proud there is such young talent in our community, and to see her represent Rockford not just here at home but throughout the world.

It is because of leaders such as Susan Kuborn that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate Susan Kuborn on her gold medal win at the Special Olympics World Games.

HONORING TOYAMA KARATE-DO'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY AND 47TH BLACK BELT GRADUATION

**HON. J. LUIS CORREA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, I would like to take some time today to honor Toyama Karate-Do Martial Arts Academy and recognize their 50 years of commitment to the community and the celebration of their 47th Black Belt Graduation.

Toyama Karate-Do began on April 26, 1969, and it was named after Hanshi Toyama Kanken, who was the founder of the Shudo-Kan style, in Okinawa, Japan. Fifty years later, Toyama has the same mission; teach discipline, confidence, and self-defense to prepare students physically and mentally to lead a better way of life.

In 1991, Toyama Karate-Do reached Southern California, opening the first school in the United States. Toyama is the most recognized and accomplished Martial Arts Organization in

Orange County and one of the top 100 schools in the United States. Currently, Toyama has more than 75 schools worldwide, including locations in Bolivia, Japan, and Canada.

Instructors, Rodolfo Cazales, a 7th degree Black Belt, and his son Jerry Cazales, a 5th Degree Black Belt, are responsible for the United States expansion. They have been teaching side by side to bring the "Traditional System" and the "New Creative System" together to provide Dynamic Martial Arts Youth Programs. Toyama Santa Ana has over 2,000 active students involved through SAUSD, City, and Private Programs and is one of the most successful Toyama Karate-Do programs in the United States.

Toyama's Creed is:

Why do we practice Karate-Do?: For a better and stronger physical, mental, and spiritual ability.

What are the values of Karate-Do?: Justice, Courtesy, Humbleness, Determination, Self-Respect, and Respect towards our Family, Teachers, Peers, and everyone we encounter.

What is the meaning of Karate-Do?: "The Road of the Empty Hand." In Karate-Do we do not inflict harm with an attack, but attack with a defense to protect our life.

I recognize Toyama Karate-Do and the Cazales family for all they do for my constituents. They truly are a great asset to the community.

RETIREMENT OF SENIOR COUNSEL HARRY "HANK" SAVAGE

**HON. DON YOUNG**

OF ALASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Mr. YOUNG. Madam Speaker, on May 2, Senior Counsel Harry "Hank" Attack Savage is retiring from the Office of Legislative Counsel after 33 years. I want to commend Hank for his long and excellent service, and his improvements to the many bills on which he has worked over the years. In addition to working for other Committees, Hank handled maritime, Coast Guard, coastal and ocean and other issues for the now defunct Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, and for the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, the Committee on Natural Resources, and the Committee on Armed Services. When I chaired the Committee on Natural Resources and, later, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, I was glad to have his support and expertise when drafting complex legislation.

As the maritime transportation counsel, Hank helped shepherd through Coast Guard authorization bills, including eight in the last nine Congresses, and a Maritime Administration authorization measure in every National Defense Authorization Act since 1995. His work has left a lasting impression on title 14, Coast Guard, and title 46, Shipping, of the

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

United States Code. He also has drafted untold numbers of Jones Act waivers covering every imaginable type vessel, ownership scenario, and vessel history.

On the Natural Resources Committee, I was particularly appreciative of his work on the 1996 update of the National Wildlife Refuge System organic statute during my first term as Chairman. He also worked on the first update of the hydrographic surveying laws in half a century, the Hydrographic reauthorization of the National Marine Sanctuaries Act, and multiple Coastal Barrier Resources System Act amendments, including the provision that led to the digitization of the Coastal Barrier Resource system maps.

Of course, as the Congressman for All Alaska, I appreciate Hank's work on legislation related to numerous Alaska maritime and terrestrial issues, including the environmental restoration and land transfers on the Pribilof Islands.

Hank is a proud University of Michigan grad, and graduated from Tulane Law School in New Orleans.

Again, I want to thank Hank for his long and excellent service to Congress, and I am sure I am speaking for a long line of current and former Committee chairmen who share those thanks. I wish Hank and his wife, who is also retiring for Federal Service this spring, a long and happy retirement. I hope that will include a trip to Alaska.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. A. DONALD McEACHIN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Mr. McEACHIN. Madam Speaker, I was unavoidably detained on April 3, 2019 during roll call no. 144, on ordering the Previous Question to H. Res. 281, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1585) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, and for other purposes. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea." I was also unavoidably detained during roll call no. 145, on Agreeing to the Resolution, H. Res. 281, Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1585) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, and for other purposes. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea." I was unavoidably detained during roll call no. 146, on Agreeing to the Resolution, H. Res. 271, Condemning the Trump Administration's Legal Campaign to Take Away Americans' Health Care. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea." I was also unavoidably detained during roll call no. 147, on Agreeing to the Amendment, Jeffries of New York Part B Amendment No. 1, to H.R. 1585. Had I been present, I would have voted, "aye." I was also unavoidably detained during roll call no. 148, on Agreeing to the Amendment, Scanlon of Pennsylvania Part B Amendment No. 2, to H.R. 1585. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye." I was also unavoidably detained during roll call no. 149, on Agreeing to the Amendment, Waters of California Part B Amendment No. 7, to H.R. 1585. Had I been present, I would have voted, "aye." I was also unavoidably detained during roll call no. 150, on Agreeing to the Amendment, Wagner of Missouri Part B Amendment No. 10, to H.R. 1585. Had I been present, I would have voted, "aye."

#### RECOGNIZING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2019 FAIRFAX COUNTY STUDENT PEACE AWARDS

### HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the recipients of the 2019 Fairfax County Student Peace Awards.

The Fairfax County Student Peace Awards began with one high school in 2006 to encourage high school aged students to think about peace as both a means and an end, and to recognize young people who work as peacemakers. By 2013, the program was being offered in every public high school in Fairfax County, as well as in three private schools.

Participating high schools choose one Junior or Senior, or one student group active in promoting peace and/or removing the causes of conflict. Examples of outreach include: committing to peace by engaging in activities that strive to end conflict, either locally or globally, seeking to discuss or otherwise resolve potentially controversial issues within the school or community, promoting the understanding of divisive issues and situations to bridge language, ethnic, racial, religious, gender, sexual orientation, or class differences, and working to resolve conflicts among students or members of the community who feel isolated or alienated.

I am pleased to include in the RECORD the names of this year's Student Peace Award winners: Kora Coker, Annandale High School; Nick Price, Cedar Lane High School; Deepika Joshi, Centreville High School; Yahang "Annie" Wang, Chantilly High School; Lara Demir, Fairfax High School; Delina Kiflom, Hayfield Secondary School; Lydia Goff, Herndon High School; Kamila Elyazgi, King Abdullah Academy; Sumaiya Hague, Langley High School; Oscar Manuel Lopez Hernandez, Lee High School; Hannan Mumtaz, Madison High School; Luka Gabitsinashvili, George C. Marshall High School; Neha Rana, McLean High School; Burhan Ahmed, Mount Vernon High School; Romina Soleimani, Mountain View High School; Lauren Haymes, Quander Road School; Sophia Liao, South Lakes High School; Angie Sohn, Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology; Diana Argueta, West Potomac High School; Laura Kirk, West Springfield High School; Maxihikio (Makee) Neves, Westfield High School; Xuan Huynh, W.T. Woodson High School.

Madam Speaker, the efforts of these young people are the building blocks of a more peaceful and tolerant world. I commend them on their efforts and dedication, and ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating each award recipient and thanking them as well as Fairfax County Public School System and sponsor organizations for all they have done for our community.

#### HONORING FRANCISCO HSIEH

### HON. JUDY CHU

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Ms. JUDY CHU of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Fran-

cisco Han Ping Hsieh, who passed away on March 26, 2019 at the age of 85. Mr. Hsieh played an important role in the Asian-American community in California for more than 50 years.

Mr. Hsieh was born in Hubei, China on October 14, 1933. After his graduation from Soochow University in 1959, he worked as a journalist, which eventually brought him to San Francisco in 1965. There, he was employed as a correspondent for Central Daily News, until he went on to serve as publisher and editor at Kiu Kwong Newspaper and Chinese Commercial News.

Following his successful career in journalism, Mr. Hsieh opened Hunan Village Restaurant in San Francisco, bringing the cuisine of his childhood to the city he had grown to love. He shared his passion for Chinese cuisine widely, teaching cooking classes at City College of San Francisco and assisting in the development of other Chinese restaurants in the area.

Following the closure of his restaurant in 1987, Mr. Hsieh pivoted his attentions once again, working on the campaigns of several California politicians, including former Congressman Mike Honda, former San Francisco Mayor Willie Brown, and former Governor Gray Davis. Mr Hsieh also served on the California Acupuncture Board, the Commission on Asian Pacific Islander American Affairs, the California State Friendship Committee, and the Chinese American Democratic Club.

In every part of his life, whether publishing a weekly newspaper, bringing Hunan cuisine to a new audience, or political activism, Francisco Hsieh spent his life sharing the subjects he was passionate about to a wider audience, welcoming new members into a vibrant and robust community that he helped build. Mr. Hsieh was a central figure in the Asian-American community in California for more than half of a century. It is my honor today to pay tribute to his memory and his enduring legacy.

#### COOPER BIGELOW

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Cooper Bigelow for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

The Youth Award focuses on teenagers who have overcome personal adversity and created positive changes in their lives and their community. The program provides businesses, the community and civic leaders an opportunity to support young people in their communities and recognize their accomplishments. Cooper is the perfect recipient for this award because despite adversities and challenges, he has become an inspiration and role model for his peers.

The dedication and leadership demonstrated by Cooper 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 Cooper Bigelow for this well-deserved recognition.