noise in its jurisdiction by re-establishing ONAC. This bill would also require the EPA Administrator to carry out a study of airport noise and examine the FAA's selection of noise measurement methodologies, health impact thresholds, and abatement program effectiveness.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this critical legislation—so that Congress does its part to help alleviate the aviation noise issues that impacts the health and welfare of Americans across our nation.

INTRODUCTION OF THE MEDICARE IVIG ENHANCEMENT ACT

HON. GEORGE HOLDING

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Mr. HOLDING. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the month of May as GBS/CIDP Awareness Month. I encourage my colleagues to join me in supporting those impacted by CIDP and a related disorder, MMN, by cosponsoring H.R. 2905, the Medicare IVIG Enhancement Act.

Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy (CIDP) is a rare and debilitating autoimmune disorder that affects the peripheral nerves. Multifocal Motor Neuropathy (MMN) is a related rare disorder in which one's nerves are attacked by their own immune system. Both conditions have a devastating impact on quality of life and require intensive care.

While CIDP and MMN patients may eventually develop resistance to common treatments and therapies, intravenous immune globulin (IVIG) therapy, a form of plasma therapy, has proven to be a safer and more effective alternative for treatment.

Please join me in supporting the Medicare IVIG Enhancement Act, which would provide CIDP and MMN patients the opportunity to receive IVIG therapy in their homes, which will improve quality of life for patients and caregivers alike.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF ROBERT PEAR

HON. RICHARD E. NEAL

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Mr. NEAL. Madam Speaker, today I rise to recognize the life and service of Robert Pear, a longtime reporter for the New York Times, and someone who has been critical to the conversation around health care for more 40 years. Robert Pear was a fixture in the Halls of Congress with his unassuming style, quiet voice and insightful questions. Robert spent countless hours in the Ways and Means Committee room reporting on health care debates of our generation—the Clinton Health Care legislation, Medicare Part D and the Affordable Care Act. Robert's knowledge and expertise were unrivaled. His ability to take complex issues and present them in a clear and concise manner was a testament to his understanding of the policy but also what the American people needed to know.

Robert was born in our nation's capital on June 12, 1949 to Philip and Marion Pear. Growing up in our nation's capital, Robert was immediately fascinated with policy and politics—even leading him to produce ''The Pear Press'' while in high school. He later went on to Harvard University, where he worked on the literary magazine ''The Advocate'' and eventually graduated magna cum laude in 1971. He would then go on to earn his Master of Philosophy from Balliol College in Oxford, and a Master's in Journalism from Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism.

Robert joined The New York Times in 1981. It was here that he was able to communicate the complexity of issues such as health care with remarkable clarity. It was his meticulous, exacting reporting that most recently helped keep the American public informed and engaged on the failed Republican ''repeal-and-replace'' efforts in 2017. Robert made it his life's duty to ensure the American people fully understood the intricacies of Washington. Over his 40 years with the New York Times, he helped produce or support more than 6,700 New York Times articles.

Many a member or press secretary can recount stories of picking up the phone and hearing Robert's distinctive voice on the other end of the line late at night or early in the morning, working to glean one more insight or critical piece of information for his next article. His follow up questions on both the politics and substance showed he keenly understood the currents swirling well below the surface. While Robert Pear will be missed by all who had the pleasure to get to know him, he will be remembered for his critical work, his persistence, and his lifelong commitment to public service and the American people.

IN HONOR OF STAFF SERGEANT ROBERT STANTON

HON. DAVID LOEBSACK

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Mr. LOEBSACK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of SSgt. Robert Stanton of Davenport, Iowa. On December 11, 1942, at just 18 years of age, Robert enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and went on to serve as a Gunner in Marine Scout Bomber Squad 142. On March 24, 1945, while flying over the Philippines, engine trouble caused a forced landing on Panay Island. SSgt. Stanton was taken as a prisoner of war by Japanese forces and killed soon after. SSgt. Stanton left behind his loving family, including his father, Bryan Jennings Stanton, and mother, Harriett Elizabeth Conley.

As a military parent, I am honored to recognize the bravery of a fellow Iowan who answered the call to serve at just 18 and tragically died as a prisoner of war. Before serving his country in World War II, Robert Stanton was an amateur boxer known for his knockout punch. A fighter to the end, SSgt. Stanton made the ultimate sacrifice for his nation. For his sacrifice, and the sacrifice of all the men and women who have served in the United States Armed Forces, we must never forget their service and remain eternally grateful.

HONORING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the University of California, Los Angeles upon its centennial anniversary.

Established in 1919, UCLA is geographically the smallest of the UC campuses, yet the largest student body. Nearly one third of current undergraduates are first-generation students and more than 35% of current undergraduates receive Pell Grants. Notably, UCLA is the most applied to university for undergraduate education and the highest ranked public university in the country, according to the U.S. News and World Report in 2019. UCLA's graduates have gone on to achieve great success and merit in a variety of professional fields, including 13 MacArthur Fellows, 3 Pulitzer Prize winners, and 38 Academy Award winners. Impressively, UCLA has also produced 14 Nobel Prize winners, including Ralph J. Bunche, the first person of color to receive a Nobel Peace Prize.

It is no surprise to learn that UCLA is a vital contributor to the California economy, contributing $11 billion annually, including $4 billion in the Los Angeles area. During the 2016–2017 school year alone, 251 patents were issued to UCLA and 24 startup companies launched using technologies developed at UCLA. UCLA's athletic programs are among the best in the nation, with UCLA Bruins having won 261 Olympic medals, 133 of which were gold.

UCLA is a wonderful resource to the Los Angeles region, California, and the nation as a whole, providing an outstanding education to students from a variety of backgrounds.

It is my pleasure to honor UCLA for marking 100 years of exceptional achievement. I ask all members to join me in commending their accomplishments.

HONORING JUDGE WILEY DANIEL

HON. JOE NEGUSE

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Mr. NEGUSE. Madam Speaker, today I offer you my heartfelt condolences to the Daniel family on the loss of their father and husband Judge Wiley Daniel. Judge Daniel was a chief judge for the U.S. District Court of Colorado and was my home state's first African-American federal judge.

Judge Daniel was not only an incredible legal mind, but also a role model for aspiring attorneys. I was lucky enough to try several cases in Judge Daniel's court, and found him to be tough and fair-minded, always pushing the attorneys before him to present the best and most sound case that we could put forward. He made each of us better at our craft.

Being a ''first'' for any community is difficult and brave, but if the work stops at getting through the door, then it does not leave a true legacy. Judge Daniel was the first through but then spent so much of his energy ensuring

that door remained open and welcoming for every generation that followed. In my mind, his legacy is not just that he was the first, it is that he ensured he would not be the last.

I am grateful to have known Judge Daniel and ask that my colleagues join me in sending condolences to the family of this pioneer of our legal system and inspiration to our entire nation.

IN HONOR OF THE VA ANN ARBOR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM FOR THEIR EXEMPLARY SERVICE

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System for their critical work providing medical services to our nation's veterans. Their continued excellence in patient-centered healthcare is worthy of commendation.

Since its foundation in 1953, the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System has provided essential healthcare services to veterans throughout Michigan and northwestern Ohio. The main campus operates as a referral center for complex specialty care and boasts state-of-the-art facilities and several satellite outpatient clinics. Beyond the medical care it offers, VAAAHS is a major research center, participating in over 400 active studies in basic science, health services, and rehabilitation.

The VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System stands as a role model in providing exemplary healthcare to our nation's veterans. Their work has had a profound impact on Michigan and Ohio by ensuring access to preventive and active treatment. We thank VAAAHS and its staff for their continued dedication to providing high-quality medical services to veterans, supporting clinical research, and promoting education on public health programs. We also congratulate the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System as they begin construction of a new veteran welcome center. Once finished, this new structure will expand the available capacity of the medical center and expedite critical care for its visitors.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System for their exemplary work in healthcare access, education, and research. Their efforts have been instrumental in ensuring care for the brave servicemen and women that protect our country.

CELEBRATING THE 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF UCLA

HON. KEVIN McCARTHY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Mr. McCARTHY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the University of California, Los Angeles, which has distinguished itself as one of the finest institutions of higher learning in the State of California and across the country.

In the past 100 years, 14 Nobel Prize winners, 13 MacArthur Fellows, 9 National Medal of Science winners, 3 Pulitzer Prize winners, 1 Field Medalist, 2 Turing Award winners, and 38 Academy Award winners have called UCLA home. Every year, UCLA receives more applications for admission than any other university. It is for these reasons and more that UCLA was ranked this year as the number one public university in the country by U.S. News and World Report.

The influence of UCLA and its impact on California is wide-reaching and expansive. Even in my district, two hours away from Westwood, thousands of constituents call UCLA their alma mater. UCLA's influence in my district cannot be overstated. For many students who are unfamiliar with the challenges of applying for college, UCLA provides mentorship and a tangible path to higher education, actively organizing workshops and school visits to guide them. UCLA does not limit itself to just educating the next generation of leaders; it has tracked groundwater loss in my district and throughout the Central Valley, demonstrating the need to expand our current water storage and infrastructure. As many people know, UCLA's Ronald Reagan Medical Center provides world-class care for countless individuals, but it also directs clinical trials back home in my district—ensuring that the residents of the 23rd District receive cutting-edge treatment and care. On behalf of California's 23rd District, I am proud to congratulate UCLA on 100 years of great accomplishments.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE LIFE, LEGACY, AND SERVICE OF MASTER SERGEANT DONALD CHARLES BETTINE

HON. MIKE GALLAGHER

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Mr. GALLAGHER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life, legacy, and service of Master Sergeant Donald Charles Bettine.

MSG Bettine passed away on Monday, April 29, 2019 at the age of 89. He was born in Green Bay on August 12, 1929 to Charles and Elva Bettine.

After graduating from Central Catholic High School in 1947, he enlisted in the U.S. Army. Upon completion of basic training, MSG Bettine went to Japan where he was an instructor in the Eight Army Ordinance School. After a brief return to the U.S., he was deployed to Korea to serve in the Korean War. As a part of the 3rd Infantry, he participated in the evacuation of Hungnam in 1950. MSG Bettine charged enemy snipers in a frontal attack, allowing his platoon to advance forward. For this display of bravery, he earned his Bronze Star with the ''V'' for Valor. Dubbed the ''Christmas Miracle,'' the incredible evacuation resulted in the rescue of nearly 200,000 troops and civilian refugees.

After his service in the Korean War, MSG Bettine was stationed near Moscow, Idaho where he met the love of his life, Evelyn Sumner. They were married on December 19, 1953, and shortly after relocated to Germany, where he was stationed for 4 years. Following his time in Germany, he was stationed in several places across the U.S., and was later sent to Korea for a second time where he was stationed in Seoul. During his time in Seoul, MSG Bettine became heavily involved in one of the local orphanages, dedicating his time to the children there. Upon his return to the states, MSG Bettine was assigned to Fort McCoy. He retired from active duty in 1968.

Following his retirement from active duty, MSG Bettine continued his service to others as the JrROTC instructor at Premontre High School in Green Bay, WI where he taught for over 20 years. Affectionately known as ''Sarge,'' MSG Bettine strived to instill the values and lessons he learned during his time in the military to his students. MSG Bettine took an active interest in his students' futures, and often followed their careers through the Armed Forces. It was not unusual for him and his students to stay in touch years after their graduation.

MSG Bettine joined the Knights of Columbus in his late 20s, and he was ultimately honored for over 60 years of service. In line with his character and values, he joined the Knights of Columbus to serve his community beyond his service in the military. He was a Fourth Degree Knight and served as District Deputy, Programs Coordinator, and District Marshall.

Words cannot justly thank MSG Bettine for his many years of service to our country. My sincerest condolences go to his family.

BIRTHDAY OF DR. IRENE HUSTON

HON. MARK DeSAULNIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Mr. DESAULNIER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the service of a long-time community leader, Dr. Irene Huston.

In her early years, Irene and her family moved from Mississippi to the Bay Area in the ''Second Great Migration'' to escape racist labor and housing practices. Irene attended Contra Costa College before earning a Bachelor's Degree from International Seminary in Plymouth, Florida. Today, Dr. Huston holds graduate degrees from Phoenix University, Antioch Christian University, and Elbon-Solutions College of Ministry, as well as an honorary degree from the National Theological Seminary of the Commonwealth University.

Although her interests and successes cast a wide net—she has served as a lecturer at San Jose State University, opened her own clothing boutique, and authored several books and a play—her focus has always been the church.

Dr. Huston has been in the ministry for 50 years, and has devoted the majority of this time to supporting women and families. She is internationally ordained and has ministered around the world, including in India, Nigeria, England, and Israel. Additionally, at home in California, she worked with the West Contra Costa Unified School District's adult education program.

Irene has founded a number of faith-based service organizations, including Irene's Women's Faith Foundation, and she continues her efforts today to motivate and empower young women and serve her community.

Please join me in wishing Dr. Irene Huston a happy 81st birthday, and in thanking her for a life of service and dedication.