

for over 30 years, providing a great service to the people of North Carolina.

I am honored and humbled to represent a woman who served her state with such dedication, courage, and selflessness. Tiawana Ramsey began her career with North Carolina Emergency Management in November of 1988 as Secretary. She performed her job with great attention to detail and was promoted to Program Assistant in January 1994. After well-deserved promotions to Administrative Assistant and then Emergency Management Planner Specializing in Earthquakes, Mrs. Ramsey was honored with the job title of Area 12 Coordinator in July 2007. In this role, Tiawana oversaw a three-tiered response system which serviced disaster events in both familiar and unfamiliar areas in the counties of Ashe, Avery, Caldwell, McDowell, Mitchell, Watauga, and Yancey.

In her positions of responsibility, Tiawana demonstrated poise, foresight, and accountability in constructing disaster preparation and disaster response plans. Her efforts have undoubtedly saved numerous lives and prevented many deaths from natural disasters in the areas she has served.

Mrs. Tiawana Ramsey is the proud wife of Mr. Jimmie Ramsey, who also serves in the North Carolina Division of Emergency Management. Mrs. Ramsey has had a tremendous impact on her community, and she will always be remembered for her diligent, professional service to the state of North Carolina. I thank Tiawana for her three decades of service and wish her the best in her retirement.

CELEBRATING ROBERT
MORRISON'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. BRAD R. WENSTRUP

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Mr. WENSTRUP. Madam Speaker, Robert Morrison, a WWII veteran from Ohio, turned 100 this past Saturday. I am honored to recognize Mr. Morrison for his service to our nation on this important occasion.

Mr. Morrison joined the Army on March 16, 1942 as a Tech 4 with the 601st Tank Destroyer Battalion. He served throughout Europe and fought in Normandy.

I thank Mr. Morrison for his service to our country and am honored to share my home state with such an outstanding American hero. Our world is freer because of his service, and we owe him a debt of gratitude which can never be repaid. I am glad to be able to celebrate him, and his service to our nation, today.

I wish Mr. Morrison a Happy Birthday. God bless him, God bless our nation's servicemembers, and God bless America.

CONGRATULATING THE TUCSON
BOTANICAL GARDEN DISPLAY IN
OUR CAPITAL

HON. RAÚL M. GRIJALVA

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Mr. GRIJALVA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Tucson Botanical

Gardens for their achievement in bringing a piece of Tucson's rich cultural heritage to the National Mall in Washington, D.C. and recreating their Barrio Garden in the U.S. Botanical Gardens. For 55 years, the Tucson Botanical Garden has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to connecting people with plants and nature through art, science, history, and culture, and I'm proud their work will be shared in the heart of our nation's capital.

As the oldest botanical gardens in North America, the U.S. Botanical Garden's displays include plants and visual elements to provide visitors with a deeper understanding of the variety of flora and garden cultures found across the country—including their styles, regional characteristics, and missions.

The theme of this year's exhibit is Gardens Grow Diversity, and I can think of no better representative of this than the Tucson Botanical Gardens. As one of only 14 public gardens to be selected, the Tucson Botanical Garden will share Tucson's own Barrio culture and the rich local heritage it represents with the millions of guests who visit Washington, D.C. every summer.

Founded in 1964, the Tucson Botanical Garden has been committed to creating a garden that was aesthetically appealing and educational. Containing an extensive collection of over 5,400 plants, this garden serves to showcase the local community and the diversity it reflects. The Tucson Botanical Garden has received numerous honors and was named one of the top ten gardens to visit in North America by Readers Digest and the Canadian Garden Council.

I am especially grateful for their dedication to creating a community resource for Tucson's learners of all ages, knowledge levels, and abilities. In hosting events such as farm to fork feasts, dog days, and exhibits showcasing local and national art, the garden has lived up to their mission, and is an invaluable resource to the Tucson community.

I congratulate the Tucson Botanical Gardens on being selected for this honor, and am excited to see a piece of Southern Arizona's Sonoran Desert culture in Washington, D.C.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE TRADITION OF BREAKFAST ON THE FARM IN KEWAUNEE COUNTY

HON. MIKE GALLAGHER

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Mr. GALLAGHER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the tradition of Breakfast on the Farm in Kewaunee County hosted this year by Kinnard Farms in Casco.

Breakfast on the Farm is an iconic Wisconsin tradition that provides the community an opportunity to see first-hand how a dairy farm operates and learn about the significant role the dairy industry plays in Wisconsin's economy. Community members meet dairy farmers, explore the barns and equipment, and enjoy a delicious meal prepared on the farm.

I am grateful to Kinnard Farms for hosting the 2019 Kewaunee County Breakfast on the Farm. Kinnard Farms was founded on April 9, 1948 by Alvin and Milly Kinnard with the purchase of eighty acres, fourteen cows, and

seven heifers. Today, the Kinnard Family farms over 10,000 acres and milks 7,200 cows between two locations. Ninety percent of today's herd originates from the bloodline of the original fourteen cows purchased by Alvin and Milly.

Kewaunee County Dairy Promotion organizes the annual Breakfast on the Farm by recruiting host farms, sponsors and volunteers to support this terrific event. In addition, Kewaunee County Dairy Promotion provides educational opportunities to the community to increase awareness of Wisconsin's dairy industry and the products produced by area dairy farmers.

Madam Speaker, I urge all Members of this body to join me in commending the efforts of Breakfast on the Farm to educate the community through this time-honored tradition. Thank you to the Kinnards, Kewaunee County Dairy Promotion, and the countless sponsors and volunteers for their continued support of Wisconsin's dairy industry.

IMPORTANCE OF FUNDING HIV/AIDS RESEARCH

HON. DAVID B. MCKINLEY

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Mr. MCKINLEY. Madam Speaker, as a member of the Congressional HIV/AIDS Caucus, I rise today in support of provisions of the Labor-H Appropriations bill which would fund President Trump's initiative to end HIV/AIDS by the year 2030.

Our nation is facing a continuing HIV crisis which has made its way into all of our communities and has destroyed the lives of too many of our constituents. Significant progress has been made in the fight against HIV/AIDS over the past several decades, but the CDC reports that over one million Americans still struggle with this terrible disease. In 2019, this is simply unacceptable.

The Labor-H Appropriations bill being voted on today includes many controversial matters which are sure to guarantee it is dead on arrival in the Senate. Despite this fact, the HIV/AIDS provisions enjoy broad bipartisan support. It is my wish that we could come together as one body to pass beneficial, bipartisan provisions which would make all Americans better off.

We cannot set this issue to rest until HIV has been fully eradicated from the United States. The administration has made this issue a priority and it is about time Congress follows suit. Many of us have known family, friends, or constituents who suffer from this abominable disease. We owe it to all of them to put aside our partisan differences and fund the initiative to eradicate HIV/AIDS from the United States by 2030.

IN CELEBRATION OF ISIDORE SHAPIRO

HON. PETER T. KING

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Mr. KING of New York. Madam Speaker, I am honored to recognize my longtime friend,

Isidore Shapiro, on the occasion of his 100th birthday this past February 2, 2019.

After graduating with a Master of Social Work degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1952, Mr. Shapiro committed his career to helping those who were struggling. During his storied career of public service, starting with serving as the Executive Director of the Queens County Mental Health Society and concluding as the first social worker to be appointed Commissioner of the Nassau County Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation, and Developmental Disabilities, Mr. Shapiro continually displayed both compassion and respect for the people he served and a devotion to seeing them attain success. During my years as Special Assistant to the Chief Deputy County Executive and then as County Comptroller I worked closely with Isidore. He is a true friend and dedicated public servant.

After his time as Commissioner, Mr. Shapiro, along with his loving wife Goldie, happily retired to sunny Tuscan, Arizona. For his and Goldie's service to Nassau County, it is a privilege to wish him a happy 100th birthday.

IN RECOGNITION OF POLICE CHIEF
WILLIAM H. HOLLINGSED

HON. MARK MEADOWS

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Mr. MEADOWS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Police Chief William H. Hollingsed of Haywood County, North Carolina on his retirement from public service. I would like to honor the service of Chief Hollingsed and his significant impact on the town of Waynesville and the great state of North Carolina.

Chief Hollingsed's career began with the Orange County Sheriff's Office in Orlando, Florida, where he served for 13 years as a member of the SWAT team and achieved the rank of Lieutenant. He then moved to North Carolina, where he was appointed as the Chief of Police at Western Carolina University. In 1999, he became the Chief of Police for the Waynesville Police Department where he has selflessly served since.

Throughout his remarkable career, Chief Hollingsed has served in numerous capacities. He is an Executive Board member and former President of the North Carolina Police Executives Association, he serves on the Attorney General's Law Enforcement Opioids Task Force, the Task Force on Reforms for Opioid Drug Convictions, and the North Carolina Joint In-Service Training Committee. He further serves as Chairman of the NC Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission, as Regional Director of the NC Association of Chiefs of Police, and as the Police Chiefs representative for the Governor's Impaired Driving Task Force. He was appointed by the NC League of Municipalities as a member of the Risk Management Assessment Team. Dedicated to the safety of his community, Chief Hollingsed was recently honored with the North Carolina Dogwood Award.

In addition to his career, Chief Hollingsed is dedicated to his wife, Karen, and their three daughters. Furthermore, Chief Hollingsed has served on a number of boards and commissions, including Kids Advocacy Resource Ef-

fort (KARE), United Way, Salvation Army, Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD), Big Brothers and Big Sisters, Child Abuse and Neglect Task Force, Boy Scouts of America, Waynesville Rotary Club, Domestic Violence Task Force, Folkmoor Board, Criminal Justice Partnership Program, and the Haywood Arts Council.

Chief Hollingsed earned his Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Columbia University and earned his Master's of Public Administration Degree from Troy University. Desiring to equip the next generation, Chief Hollingsed has spent the last 20 years as an Adjunct Professor of Criminal Justice at Western Carolina University and is a member of the Haywood Community College Board of Trustees.

It is my sincere honor to acknowledge Chief Hollingsed for his hard work and selfless dedication to our country and his community. His diligent pursuit of excellence is evident through his 35 years of law enforcement, dedication to his family, and passion for serving his community.

RECOGNIZING DEE SARTON

HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Mr. SIMPSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the distinguished career of Dee Sarton. Four decades ago, she started working at KTVB Channel 7 in Boise, Idaho. Idahoans who live in both the Treasure Valley and the Magic Valley know Dee as the face of the evening news. She is the anchor on KTVB's 4 p.m., 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. newscasts. But Dee is so much more than an anchor, she is a friend of the community who cares deeply about the people around her and it shows every day.

Make no mistake, Dee is a compassionate reporter, but she isn't afraid to tackle hard hitting news or ask the tough questions. Dee is a great storyteller, and she tells stories about people of Idaho. She asks the right questions and is very engaging. When Dee talks, people listen.

I've had the pleasure of knowing Dee throughout my political career. I have always appreciated her thoroughness when covering a news topic and I will miss seeing her at KTVB.

Not only is she an incredible news anchor, Dee is also an Idaho Hall of Fame journalist and a National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences Silver Circle inductee and a champion for children and education, serving on numerous non-profit boards, including the Special Needs Adoption Board of Directors, Children's Home Board, the Hidden Springs Charter School Board, the Literacy Lab Advisory Board and the Assistance League Community Advisory Council. Her weekly Wednesday's Child feature helped hundreds of Northwest foster children find adoptive homes.

Congratulations to Dee. I am happy for her and I know she will enjoy the next chapter in her life.

WOMEN'S VETERANS DAY

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Madam Speaker, on June 12, 1948, President Harry S. Truman signed into law the Women's Armed Services Integration Act, allowing women to serve as regular members of the military.

On May 5, 2017, State Representative Victoria Neave filed House Bill 2698, establishing Women Veterans Day.

HB2698 was later incorporated into Texas Senate Bill 805 and on June 9, 2017 was signed into law by Governor Greg Abbott designating June 12th as Women Veterans Day. I am honored to represent over 170,000 distinguished women veterans in the state of Texas.

Moreover, I am proud to work alongside the four women veterans serving in the 116th Congress. On this day, it is imperative that we highlight women's role in the military and commemorate their valor and sacrifice.

It should be no secret that women play an integral role in our nation's armed forces.

They volunteer for the same reasons as men, but their service can come at a steep personal price.

4.3 percent of women in the military reported being sexually assaulted in 2016.

Female veterans are three to four times more likely than their civilian counterparts to become homeless and 2.5 times more likely to commit suicide.

Today's events, in part, were designed to help women veterans find resources.

I am in awe of the invaluable contributions and unwavering commitment that women veterans have given this country and my home state.

I vow to continue my support of women and men veterans alike in the House of Representatives, as we owe all veterans our gratitude and respect.

But on this Women Veterans Day in Texas, I urge you to join me celebrate and work to understand the sacrifices of women veterans among us.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Mr. HASTINGS. Madam Speaker, as a co-sponsor of H. Res. 430—Authorizing the Committee on the Judiciary to initiate or intervene in judicial proceedings to enforce certain subpoenas and for other purposes—I would have voted YES on roll call No. 247, had I been present.

CELEBRATING GEORGETOWN,
OHIO'S BICENTENNIAL

HON. BRAD R. WENSTRUP

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Mr. WENSTRUP. Madam Speaker, I am honored to recognize Georgetown, Ohio, for its bicentennial anniversary this year.