

television industry. In August of 2016, William joined the Keller Williams family.

William Nettle is a member of the Bypass Church of Christ, where he serves as the Youth Coordinator, LIFE Group Leader, Bible School Teacher and Audio/Visual Coordinator.

He serves the community in numerous ways. William is on the Board of Directors for two nonprofit organizations: Warren County Habitat for Humanity and It's Time Media. He is a member of the Vicksburg Kiwanis Club, the Vicksburg Optimist Club, Vicksburg Young Professionals, and the Vicksburg/Warren County Chapter of the Jackson State University National Alumni Association. Mr. Nettle also frequently volunteers with United Way of West Central Mississippi by reading to 3rd graders as a part of the L.E.A.R.N. (Leaders Encouraging Advancements in Reading Now) Program. For fun, William likes watching sports, fishing, watching comedy and action movies and listening to good music. He also enjoys playing sports, especially bowling. He loves to sing and make people laugh.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing William L. Nettle for his hard work, dedication and tenacity to serving others.

**IN RECOGNITION OF THE BAPTISM
OF HENRY WINTERHALTER**

HON. HALEY M. STEVENS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Henry Graham Winterhalter and his baptism on Sunday, May 12, 2019.

I have the honor of being the Godmother to Henry and the lifelong friend of his parents Lindsay and Brian Winterhalter. On May 12th we gathered at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, a religious institution open to all children to witness Henry's baptism. Born on June 28, 2018, Henry is now freed from sin and baptized to Christ.

Without shedding a tear, and symbolizing his gentle heart and growing mind, Henry was baptized by Pastor John Spangler.

As his sponsor, I promised before friends and family to nurture Henry Graham in the Christian faith and to serve as a role model throughout his life. His life a blessing, we are inspired by all Henry will become, a true gift from God.

Let us all reflect on this as we work to make this country a better country for Henry.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in reflecting on another milestone in the life of Henry Graham Winterhalter and his bright future.

**RECOGNIZING THE HAYMARKET
POLICE DEPARTMENT 2019
PRINCE WILLIAM CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE VALOR AWARD RECIPIENTS**

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Mr. CONNOLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to commend the Haymarket Police Department

and its outstanding member who has demonstrated superior dedication to ensuring the safety of his colleagues and members of the community and his designation as a 2019 Prince William Chamber of Commerce Valor Award recipient. The annual Valor Awards ceremony recognizes the remarkable heroism and bravery above and beyond the line of duty exemplified by our public safety and law enforcement professionals. For the past 33 years, the Prince William Chamber of Commerce has paid tribute to police officers, firefighters, and emergency personnel for their extraordinary service.

Our public safety and law enforcement workforces put their lives at risk on a daily basis to keep our families and neighborhoods safe. In recognition of acts of valor, we award the following honoree for demonstrating extraordinary dedication and outstanding performance under unusually difficult or dangerous circumstances. It is my honor to include in the RECORD the following name of the Haymarket Police Department law enforcement professional:

Merit Award for Valor: Officer John Gregory.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the 2019 Prince William Chamber of Commerce Valor Award recipient from the Haymarket Police Department. The selfless acts of heroism by this distinguished individual merit our highest praise. I thank the honoree, as well as all the Haymarket Police Department law enforcement professionals, for their dedication and commitment to the protection of our communities.

**CONGRATULATING MARGO DEAN
AND THE BALLET CONCERTO ON
50 YEARS OF BRINGING DANCE
AND INSPIRATION TO THE FORT
WORTH COMMUNITY**

HON. KAY GRANGER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Margo Dean and the Ballet Concerto on 50 years of bringing dance and inspiration to the Fort Worth Community.

Ballet Concerto was founded in 1969 by Artistic Director, Margo Dean, who has served in that role since its inception. The program has brought the art of ballet and other forms of dance to people of all ages and socio-economic backgrounds in Fort Worth.

Ballet Concerto was the first ballet program in the State of Texas to go into public schools, and was the first arts program of any kind, to be approved by the Fort Worth Independent School District, to present educational lecture demonstrations to its students.

Margo Dean and the Ballet Concerto annually presents the Summer Dance Concert, a free, professional, outdoor performance to the Fort Worth Community that creates an outlet for talented young dancers, employment for local professionals, and opportunities for emerging local choreographers, and nationally and internationally renowned choreographers to premiere original, ground-breaking works.

I offer my thanks and congratulations to Margo Dean and the Ballet Concerto for enlightening and enriching the lives of the citizens of Fort Worth for the past 50 years.

**THE AMERICAN LEGION
CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION**

HON. ANN M. KUSTER

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the American Legion on their 100th birthday. The American Legion has been a leading voice in advocating for veterans, servicemembers, their families and communities.

The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans' organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization, committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of community-based programs, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to fellow servicemembers and veterans.

The American Legion Department of New Hampshire was chartered on August 1, 1920. There are currently 107 American Legion Posts located throughout the Granite State, boasting nearly 18,000 members. American Legion members contribute significantly to their local communities. Members participate in blood drives, and contribute generously to scholarships, community projects, emergency aid and youth activities. Many of the Posts have halls, where community enjoy social functions for events throughout the year.

The American Legion works closely with the Veterans Administration to ensure that the veterans in New Hampshire and across our country are cared for following their service to the United States. New Hampshire leaders work closely with military organizations and are proud to have two military installations within the state serving thousands of military members and their families.

On behalf of my constituents in New Hampshire's Second Congressional District, congratulations to the American Legion community for 100 years and all the best in the years to come.

**DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR,
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED
AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS
ACT, 2020**

SPEECH OF

HON. BRADLEY SCOTT SCHNEIDER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 18, 2019

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2740) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes:

Mr. SCHNEIDER. Madam Chair, I rise in support of the amendment offered with my colleague from New Hampshire, Congresswoman ANNIE KUSTER.

Department of Defense leadership is needed to develop lead-free electronics to solve a pressing defense industrial base supply chain issue.

Throughout the world, the commercial electronics industry converted to lead-free component technology years ago. However, the defense electronics industry here at home remains reliant on lead-based assembly technology.

That's because Defense electronics in a fighter jet have different performance requirements than commercial electronics such as in an iPhone. These defense platforms require a much longer lifespan and the ability to perform in extreme environments.

Our amendment seeks to address the difficulty and cost DOD has experienced in trying to source lead-free electronic technologies, which will only increase as time goes on.

Additionally, without research and investment, our defense industrial base will continue to face challenges incorporating newly developed technologies, ultimately adversely affecting our military readiness.

I urge my colleagues to back our amendment to bolster U.S. efforts to develop lead-free defense electronics and look forward to working with Rep. KUSTER and the defense subcommittee on this issue.

RECOGNIZING THE 2019 PRINCE WILLIAM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE VALOR AWARD RECIPIENTS OF THE CITY OF MANASSAS PARK FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Mr. CONNOLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize City of Manassas Park Fire and Rescue Department and its outstanding members who have demonstrated superior dedication to public safety and are the 2019 recipients of the prestigious Prince William Chamber of Commerce Merit Award and Valorous Unit Award for their service. The annual Prince William Chamber of Commerce Valor Awards recognize remarkable heroism and bravery above and beyond the line of duty exemplified by our public safety and law enforcement professionals.

For the past 33 years, the Prince William Chamber of Commerce has paid tribute to our firefighters, police officers, and emergency personnel for their extraordinary service. These brave men and women put their lives at risk on a daily basis to keep our families and neighborhoods safe. For fire and rescue personnel, no two days are alike. Always on the front lines, the City of Manassas Park Fire and Rescue Department is comprised of three sections: community safety, operations, and support systems.

These dedicated service members of a combination career and volunteer system fight fires, provide emergency medical services, perform rescues, and work in our community to promote fire safety and prevention. In recognition of their acts of valor, it is my honor to include in the RECORD the following names of the City of Manassas Park Fire and Rescue Department public safety personnel:

Valorous Unit: Battalion Chief Adam Jones—Battalion 589, Captain Josh Brandon—Medic 509, Fire Medic Randy Leach—Engine 509, Fire Medic John Pearre—Medic

509, Master Firefighter David Sullivan—Medic 509, Firefighter/EMT Kentry Snow—Engine 509.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the 2019 Prince William Chamber of Commerce Valor Award recipients of the City of Manassas Park Fire and Rescue Department. The selfless acts of heroism by this distinguished group of men and women truly merits our highest praise. I thank each honoree, as well as all City of Manassas Park Fire and Rescue Department public safety professionals for their dedication and commitment to the protection of our communities.

HONORING LINK STRATEGIC PARTNERS

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in congratulating LINK Strategic Partners on becoming the 2019 District of Columbia Small Business of the Year. This distinction is awarded as part of our 22nd annual District of Columbia Small Business Fair, at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center.

This year, we are proud to honor LINK Strategic Partners, a national strategic communications and stakeholder engagement firm headquartered in Washington, D.C. LINK provides strategic communications and “hyperlocal” community engagement. With a radically different approach to the communications and public relations industry, LINK puts people, relationships and communities first.

LINK began in 2012 with two full-time employees sharing a small office in the Greater Washington Urban League building in the heart of Washington, D.C. In the seven years since then, the firm has grown tenfold in staff, expanded across the nation and opened its first international location. With team members in St. Louis, New York, Phoenix, Maine and Paris, LINK has grown to 300+ clients, \$15 million in awarded contract value and pro bono work of over \$1 million.

LINK specializes in helping clients build mutually beneficial relationships with local communities. Over the past seven years, LINK has evolved its social impact lens, focusing on the power of human connection and supporting clients in connecting with their constituents in ways that will improve the communities they serve. LINK has also demonstrated the value of investing in team members, offering competitive salaries, benefits and professional development opportunities.

Our fair highlights the importance of small businesses to the District's economy. It provides critical information, counseling and resources to aspiring and current D.C. small business owners. Small businesses are a crucial lifeline in our local economy, and the District thrives because of the expanding success of small businesses throughout the District. We thank the Washington Convention Center for hosting us again this year, the workshop experts who are providing valuable information and assistance to aspiring and current small business owners, and, of course, all the participants.

Madam Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to join me in congratulating LINK

Strategic Partners, as well as in celebrating small businesses across the District. In the District and in districts around the country, small businesses continue to make indispensable contributions to our economies and communities.

HONORING THE HONORABLE GERALD “JERRY” A. WORTH FOR HIS 41 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE NORTH COUNTRY AS JUSTICE FOR THE TOWN OF WILTON

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the Honorable Gerald A. Worth on his retirement as Justice of the Town of Wilton.

Justice Worth comes from a strong tradition of service to the North Country with both of his parents serving as Justices of the Town of Wilton. His father, the Honorable Wesley Worth, served from 1945 until 1973, and his mother, the Honorable Lillian Worth, served from 1973 until 1976. Justice Worth took up that mantle in 1978 and has dutifully served his community since that day.

Justice Worth has served his country and community in a variety of capacities over the course of his career. Prior to his tenure as Justice, he served the North Country as President of Saratoga County's Magistrates, spent time in the Department of Transportation, and served in the National Guard.

After so many decades of service to our community and our country, Justice Worth deserves nothing less than our deepest gratitude. It is the honor of a lifetime and truly humbling to serve such incredible North Country residents here in Congress. After retirement, Justice Worth is looking forward to time with his family; including his three daughters, eight grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. On behalf of New York's 21st Congressional District, I want to thank the Honorable Gerald A. Worth for his service to our community and wish him all the happiness in the world as he begins this next chapter.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JOHN MARSHALL MELVIN

HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the remarkable life of John Marshall Melvin.

John was a longtime resident of the Ninth District, moving to Jefferson, Georgia, as a young child. After graduating from Jefferson High School, John attended the University of Georgia where he played trumpet in the Dixie Redcoat Band and further cultivated his passion and talent for theater and music.

After graduating from the University of Georgia School of Law in 1965, John and his beloved wife, Mary Louise, moved to South Dakota where he served our country honorably