

would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 242 (S. 906); and YEA on Roll Call No. 243 (H.R. 5040).

RECOGNIZING THE AWARDEES OF
THE 16TH ANNUAL FAIRFAX
COUNTY HISTORY CONFERENCE

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Fairfax County History Commission on the occasion of the 16th Annual Fairfax County History Conference.

Since 1969, the Fairfax County History Commission has worked to identify, document, record and preserve the historic past of our region. Few areas in the country are as rich in history as ours. Indeed, the history of this region is the history of our country. The History Conference provides an opportunity to reflect on the accomplishments of the past year and to recognize our neighbors who have made significant contributions to preserving and promoting our local history. Through the dedicated efforts of the History Commission and its many volunteers, we are assured that our history will not be lost and will be available for future generations.

This year, several of these dedicated individuals are being honored for their commitment to the preservation and education of history. I am proud to include in the RECORD their names:

Ms. Todi Carnes for her design, research, script authoring and graphic production of the video now currently used at Historic Huntley by the Fairfax County Park Authority to describe the Mt. Huntley viewshed.

Ms. Heather Bollinger for her monthly publication of the Historic Records Center, Fairfax County Circuit Court (2014–present) called “Found in the Archives”.

Ms. Katrina Krempasky for her 13 years of leadership as Manager, Historic Records Center, Fairfax County Circuit Court (2006 through 2019).

Mr. John Ryan, for his work in orchestrating both the 2019 Shouse Village Oral History & Archive Project and the Village’s 50th Anniversary Committee.

The Shouse Village 50th Anniversary Committee, co-chaired by John Ryan & Mary Ann Hampton for their yearlong work in compiling, sorting and framing historical pictures and documents and orchestrating the anniversary, culminating in an Anniversary Reception and as such have preserved and honored the historicity of this important community in Fairfax County.

I commend the Fairfax County History Commission for helping to ensure that the abundance of history that is available to our community will be preserved far into the future.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating all the honorees and thanking the Fairfax County History Commission for the important work they do for the Northern Virginia community.

HONORING MR. GILBERT CARL
MAYS

HON. GREGORY F. MURPHY

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Mr. Gilbert Carl Mays in honor of his 100th birthday. A distinguished man, Mr. Mays selflessly served our nation as a Navy pilot and flew two missions as a torpedo bomber in World War II.

Mr. Mays has valiantly carried on the storied tradition of courage, service and faithfulness that characterizes our Armed Forces. A graduate of North Carolina State University, Mr. Mays has for decades remained an avid supporter of Wolfpack sports, an active member in his church and a leader in his local Kiwanis Club, receiving perfect attendance for many consecutive years. Mr. Mays even drove himself to the polls this past election to carry out his civic duty to our nation. His extraordinary commitment and dedication to his community serves as an example for us all. Mr. Mays has lived a life full of faith, service and we owe him our utmost gratitude and admiration.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring the legacy of this incredible and selfless man and wishing Mr. Mays a happy 100th birthday.

RECOGNIZING MS. DANUSIA
HUBAH

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Danusia Hubah of the U.S. Department of State, upon her completion of the Brookings Institution’s LEGIS Congressional Fellowship. Assigned to my office for the 2020 calendar year, Ms. Hubah quickly became an integral part of my team, lending her expertise as a U.S. foreign policy and national security professional to guide and inform my work in Congress. She will certainly be missed after an exceptional year of service.

Ms. Hubah is a native of San Pedro, California, and holds a Master of Arts in International Security Studies from Georgetown University. She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and International Relations from the University of California, San Diego.

Ms. Hubah has devoted her entire adult life to public service. With nearly two decades of foreign policy experience, she has held numerous positions at home and abroad, including the U.S. National Security Council, the U.S. Department of State, and U.S. embassies and consulates across the Middle East. Her knowledge and deep understanding of issues pertaining particularly to the Middle East have been invaluable.

This moment is bittersweet, as we are deeply saddened to see Ms. Hubah go. However, she has a bright future and we are excited for what awaits her.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the U.S. Congress and a grateful Nation, I extend our deepest appreciation to Ms. Danusia Hubah for her dedicated service to the U.S. Department of State, U.S. House of Representatives, and to our Nation.

RECOGNIZING THE 2020 GREATER
RESTON CHAMBER OF COM-
MERCE EXCELLENCE AWARD RE-
CIPIENTS

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the recipients of the Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce Annual Chamber Excellence (ACE) Awards. These awards are presented to individuals, organizations, and businesses whose extraordinary efforts make our community a better place.

I have been proud to represent this community since my days as Chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. The level of civic engagement celebrated by these awards is a testament to the community spirit of Reston. I have often said that civic engagement is a key indicator of a healthy community and every year Reston proves to be one of the healthiest communities in all of Northern Virginia. That is due in no small part to the actions of those honored this year, and I extend my congratulations to all those honorees.

It is my honor to include in the RECORD the recipients of the 2020 ACE Awards:

Small Business of the Year—Steven Toole, Toole & Associates

Medium Business of the Year—M & T Bank

Large Business of the Year—Leidos

Member of the Year—Kevin Taylor, CBD-x

New Member of the Year—Linda Graziano, AppQueen LLC

Committee of the Year—Reston Chamber Cup Golf Committee, (Co-chair) Tom Madden, Visual Impact Productions, (Co-chair) Kevin Taylor, CBD-x

Contributor of the Year—Iris Britt, Iris Britt Consulting, LLC

Young Professional of the Year—Eric Zutler, Pearson Smith Realty

Innovation Award—KME Digital

Pinnacle Award—Tom Madden, Visual Impact Productions

President’s Award—Dee Kakar, M&T Bank

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the 2020 ACE Award honorees for their tremendous contributions and in thanking them for their service. I would also like to express my sincere appreciation to the Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce and all its members for lending their time and energy to the betterment of our community.

HONORING DEBRA DeLAET AS
IOWAN OF THE WEEK

HON. CYNTHIA AXNE

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

Mrs. AXNE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in honoring Professor Debra DeLaet, the Executive Director of the Iowa United Nations Association (UNA), for her dedication to protecting human rights and ending violence against women.

November 25th marks the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, a day devoted to bringing awareness to intimate partner violence,

sexual violence and harassment, human trafficking, and more. Professor DeLaet has been passionate about gender equality and human rights from a young age. She developed her passion for international relations and global issues of human rights during her time at the University of Notre Dame where she received her master's in Peace Studies. She began teaching at Drake University in 1995, leading courses ranging from human rights to world politics.

In 2019, Professor DeLaet was brought on as the Executive Director of the Iowa UNA, a non-profit, nonpartisan organization that focuses on advocating for constructive U.S. global engagements and supporting the work of the UN. It is in this position that Professor DeLaet has been able to advocate for change on a larger scale. Gender equality and women's rights are two of the main focuses of the Iowa UNA, and Professor DeLaet takes pride in the organization's work which has focused on everything from refugees and human rights to female empowerment and environmental issues.

In addition to teaching college students, Professor DeLaet speaks to young people about the Iowa UNA and the importance of caring about global issues. She encourages students to get involved so they can be advocates for their own future, as well as for the future of Iowa and our country. Many current Iowa UNA members have been involved for decades, some since their charter in 1953. The longtime membership of many in the Iowa UNA inspires Professor DeLaet to remain resilient and tenacious, and their dedication to the important work of the UN shows the universality of the issues the Iowa UNA focus on.

Professor DeLaet's dedication to human rights, especially pertaining to women, is incredibly inspiring. She has been a lifelong advocate for equality among all people, and she continues to teach the next generation of leaders to support human rights and global involvement. Professor DeLaet hopes to see a new generation of Iowans get involved in the Iowa UNA and champion important issues such as gender equity. I am proud of the work that she and the Iowa UNA have done to continue these important discussions and stand up for decency and equality. Professor Debra DeLaet's many years of dedication and passion are exactly why we are inspired by her, and why I am honored to recognize her as our Iowan of the Week.

RECOGNIZING COLONEL WILLIAM
F. MCCOLLOUGH

HON. GREGORY F. MURPHY

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Colonel William Ferree McCollough, United States Marine Corps, for his 30 years of service to our great nation and his family's faithful service as well. Colonel McCollough is a 1991 graduate of Norwich University where he graduated summa cum laude and was nominated for a prestigious Rhodes Scholarship. The theme of his distinguished career has been one of achievement with highest honors throughout his three decades of unconditional service to the United States of America.

Literally every military school he attended, he distinguished himself by graduating with honors, which is an absolutely tremendous achievement. The schools he attained these high honors at are the Basic Officers' Course, the Amphibious Warfare School and the Marine Corps War College.

His deployments have been more numerous than most Marines. As a young officer, he was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marines where he deployed twice to Okinawa. In 1995, he was assigned to the elite Fleet Anti-Terrorist Security Team Company where he was involved in human trafficking interdiction operations working with the United States Coast Guard (USCG). One operation led him and his Marines to interdict a foreign freighter in the Atlantic that was carrying Chinese slave laborers. They assisted the USCG by ensuring the laborers were freed and their kidnappers were captured and brought to justice.

In 2002, Colonel McCollough was selected for the highly prestigious Marine Corps Congressional Fellowship. This selection entailed working in the hallowed halls of the U.S. Congress for a year in a congressional office. The competition for this program is very keen. Once again, he excelled, which led him to his current assignment as the Director of the Marine liaison office to the House of Representatives.

In 2006, then Major McCollough deployed to Iraq as a Military Transition Team leader. He and his team worked advising an Iraqi military unit. During one engagement, his unit came under fire from 122mm mortars where he sustained wounds and was awarded a Purple Heart.

Colonel McCollough has received a Legion of Merit with a "V" device for valor or heroism in combat. This was awarded when he was the Commanding Officer of 1st Battalion, 5th Marines for the battle to seize the Nawa district in Afghanistan from the Taliban.

Colonel McCollough also has received the Bronze Star with a "V" device for leading the advisor element with an Iraqi Army unit in 2006. Colonel McCollough had several combat deployments. There were two to Iraq (2006 and 2008). There were two to Afghanistan (2009 and 2013/14) and one also to Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait and other undisclosed locations.

He served on the Joint Staff in the Pentagon. There his vast experiences in Middle East operations was used to help formulate future plans in the region. Additionally, Colonel McCollough was deployed in support of Operation Inherent Resolve in 2015 and 2016. This military operation is ongoing, with the goal to eradicate terrorists in the countries of Iraq, Syria and Libya.

Colonel McCollough has received combat action ribbons in two theaters of war—Iraq and Afghanistan where he was engaged in multiple combat actions.

Colonel McCollough's final tour in the Marine Corps is with us once again in the hallowed halls of Congress. During his tenure as the Director of the House Marine Liaison Office, Colonel McCollough has led the Marine Corps' efforts to modernize the Marine Corps and prepare our Corps for future wars. His duties have taken him to six continents and multiple countries supporting both the U.S. House of Representatives and the Marine Corps.

Colonel McCollough has served 30 outstanding years to our beloved nation and will retire on 1 June 2021. His wife, Caroline, and

sons Jack and Hunter deserve recognition too because their support for Colonel McCollough has been unwavering. They have lived through 10 moves and the extended absences of Colonel McCollough's many deployments. Their courage and determination are noteworthy.

I am delighted to have this opportunity to recognize not only Colonel McCollough, but his entire family for their undeniably incredible service to the U.S. Marine Corps and our great nation. Their sacrifice and dedication to our nation is truly remarkable. I wish his beloved wife, Caroline, and their two sons Jack and Hunter, well, as all of them embark on a new chapter in their lives. God bless the McColloughs, God bless the United States of America, and Semper Fidelis.

HONORING THE RECIPIENTS OF
THE 2020 LITERACY COUNCIL OF
NORTHERN VIRGINIA RECOGNITION
AWARDS

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Literacy Council of Northern Virginia (LCNV) and to congratulate the volunteers, instructors, students, community partners, and others who will be recognized at the 2020 LCNV Recognition Celebration.

The mission of LCNV is to teach adults the basic skills of reading, writing, speaking, and understanding English so they can access employment and educational opportunities and more fully and equitably participate in the community. LCNV serves low-literacy and limited English language proficient adults with a selection of low-cost, moderately intensive courses to help them transition into the workforce or other educational opportunities. LCNV provides the crucial first steps of language and literacy proficiency for workplace, citizenship, and community integration to help adults make measurable improvements in their lives.

Each year LCNV recognizes students and members of the community who have contributed their time, energy, and resources to achieving the mission of LCNV. LCNV will also recognize the recipients of the Patricia M. Donnelly Merit Scholarship and the winner of the Mid Allen Ries Award that recognizes exceptional contributions to the advancement of LCNV. It is my great honor to include in the RECORD the names of the 2020 LCNV honorees and scholarship recipients:

Community Partnership Awards: Acumen Solutions, Crimsonbridge Foundation, City of Alexandria Workforce Development Center

Volunteers of the Year: Eileen Foxwell, Karen Lathrop, Nancy Rottenecker

Patricia M. Donnelly Merit Scholarship Recipients: Yesika Cruz, Norma Zavala

Mid Allen Ries Award: Dr. Carole Bausell

I also want to recognize those volunteers who are celebrating service anniversaries with LCNV. Volunteers are being recognized for service milestones of 5, 10, 15, 20 and 25 years respectively.

Volunteer Service Anniversaries:

25 years—Marilyn Stone

20 years—Elizabeth McBurney, Andrea Mehrer, Elizabeth Nelson