

## HONORING THE LIFE OF JON MYERS

## HON. JIM BANKS

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 9, 2020

Mr. BANKS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Jon Myers for his dedicated service to Whitley County, Indiana. Hoosiers in my hometown of Columbia City and throughout Whitley County owe a great debt of gratitude to Jon for ushering our region into a more prosperous future, and we wish him the very best as he retires from his post as president of Whitley County Economic Development Corporation (EDC).

Under Jon's leadership, the Whitley County EDC has flourished. As of 2019, Whitley County has higher homeownership, a higher workforce participation rate, more people with health insurance, and fewer residents in poverty than compared to the national average. The opportunity and prosperity Whitley County enjoy today is due in no small part to Jon's leadership.

Jon's career is distinguished, defined by his active role in the broader northeast Indiana community. Prior to serving on Mitch Daniels' campaign for governor in 2004, Myers helped establish the law firm of Myers and Hockemeyer and held a senior role with Lincoln Life. In 2005, Jon became manager of the Indiana EDC office in Fort Wayne, where, in the years thereafter, determined to address problems facing Whitley County.

He has worked tirelessly to ensure those living in the region have good jobs, can support their families and have the best quality of life. Although he will no longer lead the Whitley County EDC, his legacy will endure, and his commitment to the community and state will serve as a proud example for others in the years to come.

## ARAYA HANSELIN

## HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 9, 2020

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Araya Hanselin for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Araya Hanselin is a student at Oberon Middle School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Araya Hanselin 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 Araya Hanselin for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

## HON. MARKWAYNE MULLIN

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 9, 2020

Mr. MULLIN. Madam Speaker, I was not present March 5, 2020 on account of family reasons.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 87; YEA on Roll Call No. 88; YEA on Roll Call No. 89; and NAY on Roll Call No. 90.

## HONORING COBYS FAMILY SERVICES 40TH ANNIVERSARY

## HON. LLOYD SMUCKER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 9, 2020

Mr. SMUCKER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and thank COBYS Family Services for their 40th Anniversary in service to our community.

Originally founded as Church of the Brethren Youth Services (COBYS) by the Atlantic Northeast District of the Church of the Brethren in 1980 as a teen foster care program, their organization has grown to offer a number of services including: foster care, adoption, counseling and family life education services to children, adults and families throughout the region.

Last year alone, COBYS assisted 300 families with adoption services, provided 6,000 hours of therapy to clients, and educated over 1,500 children, youth and adults in their Family Life workshops and programs. These programs fulfill their mission, which is: Motivated by Christian faith, COBYS Family Services educates, supports, and empowers children and adults to reach their full potential.

The staff of COBYS Family Services have made and continue to make an incredible positive impact on the communities which I represent. I thank and congratulate them on their 40th Anniversary and look forward to seeing their great work continue in the next 40 years and beyond.

## IN RECOGNITION OF THE 90TH BIRTHDAY OF ROBERT JOSEPH RENIE

## HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 9, 2020

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the 90th birthday of Robert Joseph Renie.

Mr. Renie was born on April 9, 1930 in Centration, Missouri to Joseph Patrick and Norene Renie. He had one sister, Lura Ann.

Mr. Renie attended the University of Missouri and served in the United States Air Force in the early 1950s.

On June 9, 1956, he married Joan Hall and was blessed with two children: Tamara and Robin. He also has two grandchildren.

Mr. Renie worked in the insurance business from the late 1950s to 1980 in the Detroit area.

In 2012, Joan passed away. On November 23, 2013, He married Barbara Armstrong Golden and inherited two children: Tonya and Kimberly and five grandchildren.

Mr. Renie is an avid golfer. In 1999, he moved to Opelika, Alabama and is active in Trinity United Methodist Church. He also became active with the Kiwanis Club of Auburn, Alabama joining in 2002. He served as President 2005 to 2006 and Lt. Gov from 2008 to 2009. Mr. Renie was awarded a Hixon from Kiwanis Club in 2013.

Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing Mr. Renie, his contributions and dedication to the Kiwanis Club and wishing him a very happy 90th birthday.

## ANEISHA MORRIS

## HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 9, 2020

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Aneisha Morris for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Aneisha Morris is a student at Standley Lake High School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Aneisha Morris 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 Aneisha Morris for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

## RECOGNIZING DIRECTOR CELIA GOULD

## HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 9, 2020

Mr. SIMPSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize my friend and now an Eastern Idaho Agriculture Hall of Fame inductee, Director Celia Gould.

Director Celia Gould was born into farming and ranching and has dedicated her life to this important industry. As a the third-generation owner/operator of G+ Ranches, she raises Black Angus, Angus-Wagyu, wheat, corn, and hay. In addition to her farming and ranching operations, she has volunteered herself as an advocate and friend to the farmer.

For nearly three decades Gould has been in public service, serving her community in several influential roles.

Gould served 16 years in the Idaho House of Representatives before being appointed in 2007 to her current position as the first female to fill the role of Idaho State Department of Agriculture Director. Gould's contribution the Idaho's Agriculture Industry are immeasurable and appreciated by all of us who are fortunate to associate with her.

Madam Speaker, I would like to join the Eastern Idaho agriculture community in congratulating Director Celia Gould on being inducted into the Eastern Idaho Agriculture Hall of Fame and for her vast contribution to Idaho's Agriculture Industry.

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TRIBUTE TO JEFFREY HERR

**HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 9, 2020

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Jeffrey Herr, who is retiring from the City of Los Angeles as Curator of the Hollyhock House in Barnsdall Park, Los Angeles and Curator of The Watts Towers in Los Angeles.

For more than three decades, Mr. Herr has dedicated his career to the preservation, appreciation, management and creation of the arts. From his early years as an intern at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA) to his present position as Curator of two notable institutions, Jeffrey has had a significant impact on the historic, arts and cultural community in Los Angeles.

In 1988, after his internship at LACMA ended, Mr. Herr became a Research Assistant in the Decorative Arts Department at LACMA, and then the Assistant Gallery Director at the Couturier Gallery, which specialized in the American Arts and Crafts era, where he designed, curated and installed art exhibitions. Following that, he joined the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)'s Extension Program, where he created and presented lectures on the American Arts and Crafts movement.

Mr. Herr's long and illustrious career with the City of Los Angeles began in 1990 when he was selected as Curator of the City's Department of Cultural Affairs for three years, arranging exhibitions for galleries such as the gallery in the Hollyhock House and at the Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery, before moving on to become Arts Manager of the department, where he oversaw a cultural grants program that awarded three million dollars annually to 250 arts organizations and artists. In 1996, Jeffrey accepted the position of Director of the Banning Residence Museum, implementing and overseeing professional museum standards and restoration of the historic 1864 Victorian structure.

In 2001, Mr. Herr became the Arts Manager of Los Angeles' Department of Cultural Affairs for the second time, managing special projects such as publishing and editing the Landmark L.A.: Historic-Cultural Monuments of Los Angeles and acting as the liaison with local agencies. In 2004, Jeffrey became the curator of the world-famous Hollyhock House, where he capably oversaw its preservation and interpretation. The 1921 residence, commissioned by Aline Barnsdall as a cultural arts complex, was designed by renowned architect Frank Lloyd Wright with Ms. Barnsdall's favorite flower, the hollyhock, incorporated into the home's design. In 2019, under Mr. Herr's leadership, the Hollyhock House became a UNESCO World Heritage Site, as one of the eight Frank Lloyd Wright sites in the world. In addition to his work at the Hollyhock House, Jeffrey is also the Curator of The Watts Towers, a Na-

tional Historic Landmark, where he directs its preservation and conservation.

Jeffrey Herr was born and raised in East Berlin, Pennsylvania and moved to Los Angeles in 1987. He completed his BA in English Literature in 1972 at Azusa Pacific University and MA with Honors in Art History in 1988 at California State University, Northridge. Jeffrey and his husband, Christopher Molinar have lived the Los Angeles neighborhood of Silver Lake for the past 27 years.

I ask all Members of Congress to join me in congratulating Jeffrey Herr for three decades of outstanding service with the City of Los Angeles.

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RECOGNIZING HERMAN FLORA  
FOR OBTAINING THE RANK OF  
EAGLE SCOUT

**HON. WM. LACY CLAY**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 9, 2020

Mr. CLAY. Madam Speaker, in the midst of racial segregation in the 1950s, many Black Americans were forced to forego opportunities and achievements they rightfully earned and deserved. One such instance was finally made right this past February when Herman Flora was recognized with the long-awaited honor of becoming an Eagle Scout.

Mr. Flora joined the Boy Scouts when he was a child in 1943. Unfortunately, he was prevented from becoming an Eagle Scout because he lived in a Virginia community where Blacks were routinely barred from public swimming pools, which thereby prevented him from earning the swimming merit badge that was required of all Eagle Scouts.

Mr. Flora did not let that missed opportunity stop him from being active in his community. He remained committed to the lessons he learned during his time as a Boy Scout. He continued to engage in community service, pursued higher education, and went on to enlist in the U.S. Army before graduating from Howard University.

Stories such as Mr. Flora's must be recognized and honored for how they shed light on our history, and the individuals who have overcome and prospered in the face of systemic racism.

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AIKOE PRINDAVONG

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 9, 2020

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Aikoe Prindavong for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award.

Aikoe Prindavong is a student at Three Creeks K-8 and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Aikoe Prindavong 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 Aikoe Prindavong for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

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CONGRATULATING JOE SAMUELS  
ON HIS RETIREMENT

**HON. BILL HUIZENGA**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 9, 2020

Mr. HUIZENGA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the exemplary career of Joe Samuels, a pivotal member of the West Michigan Steelcase security team. I would like to express my appreciation to Mr. Samuels for over 33 years of dedicated service to Steelcase.

Mr. Samuels' distinguished career at Steelcase began on August 11, 1986. Beginning in the Panel plant, he later continued his faithful work in both Systems 1 and Systems 2 in Materials and Paint. In 2004, Mr. Samuels transitioned to the security team and obtained his Emergency Medical Technician license. Since that time, he has diligently covered both Steelcase's Global Security Operations Center and its Grand Rapids Field Operations.

Outside of work, Mr. Samuels is a dedicated and proud father of three—one of whom works alongside him in Steelcase Security. In 2018, in an incredible demonstration of his selfless character and his love for his children, Mr. Samuels donated one of his kidneys to his son. Having recovered well from the surgery, he looks forward to spending his well-earned retirement with his children and three grandchildren.

It is because of the faithful hard work, sacrifice, and dedication of community members such as Joe Samuels that I am especially proud to serve Michigan's 2nd Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate Mr. Samuels on his well-deserved retirement.

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JUNE MEDICAL SERVICES V.  
RUSSO

**HON. JANICE D. SCHAKOWSKY**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 9, 2020

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Madam Speaker, I rise to remind my colleagues of what is at stake at the Supreme Court in the coming weeks.

Yesterday, the Court began to hear arguments in a major abortion rights case, June Medical Services v. Russo.

If the Louisiana law in question goes into effect, only one clinic remains in the entire state.

Only one physician would continue to provide abortions to the 10,000 women in Louisiana who sought them every year.

That outcome would deny thousands of women in Louisiana their constitutional protection, the protected rights to access abortion care.

In 2016, the Court already decided that an identical case was unconstitutional.

But since President Trump has added two conservative justices to the Supreme Court,