

Alliance. Board of Directors, Old Charleston Insurance Company Board, American Legion Post 79, and numerous other community organizations. Bob is a member of the Sinclair Lodge, Columbia York Rite Bodies, and Jamil Shriners.

He was predeceased by his wife of sixty-seven years, Raye Hutto Livingston. He is survived by his son, Bob Livingston, Jr. (Barbara), his daughter, Marilyn Gray (Billy); seven grandchildren, Acy Flora (Blair), Bob Livingston, III (Katie), Betsy Sippel (Patrick), Rachel Popkowski (Joe), Anna Bryant (Tom), Rebekah Morris (Alex), and Roxanne Rich (Auston); thirteen great-grandchildren, Jack Sippel, Joe Popkowski, Jr., Connor Bryant, Margaret Raye Flora, Emily Sippel, Barbara Popkowski, Georgia Popkowski, Ford Livingston, Greyson Bryant, Court Morris, Foster Rich, Mary Lane Livingston and Baker Morris.

A private graveside service will be held at 9:00 on Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at Mount Tabor Lutheran Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Mount Tabor Lutheran Church, 1000 B Avenue, West Columbia, SC 29169.

ALICIA QUINTANA

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 23, 2020*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Alicia Quintana for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

Alicia Quintana is a 10th grader at Adams City High School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Alicia Quintana 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 Alicia Quintana for winning the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

INTRODUCTION OF THE EMERGENCY CANNABIS SMALL BUSINESS HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT OF 2020

**HON. EARL BLUMENAUER**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 23, 2020*

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Madam Speaker, the COVID-19 pandemic has upended life as we know it and has impacted every aspect of American society. The abrupt health and economic turmoil caused by COVID-19 has left businesses, workers and families questioning the security of their futures. Our nation's small businesses are among those who have felt this pandemic most acutely. To prevent workers from choosing between their health and a paycheck we passed sweeping and unprecedented legislation to shield American busi-

nesses from the full economic consequences of COVID-19. However, state-legal cannabis small businesses were excluded from this economic relief and remain ill-equipped to respond to the health and economic crisis before them.

Small businesses across the country are being asked to do their part in keeping their workers, customers, and families safe. To support these efforts, on March 27, 2020, the President signed into law the CARES Act, which contains \$376 billion in relief for American workers and small businesses. However, many state-legal cannabis small businesses are not eligible for this relief and are being asked to protect workers and their families without the federal support available to other American small businesses. State-legal cannabis entrepreneurs and their workers are no different from those of other industries, and since COVID-19 does not discriminate, the inability of certain groups to protect themselves could inadvertently jeopardize the health of us all.

The Emergency Cannabis Small Business Health and Safety Act would open access to SBA assistance relating to COVID-19 to state-legal cannabis businesses and their service providers. Specifically, this legislation would allow state-legal cannabis businesses to be eligible for the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL), and Economic Injury Disaster Loans emergency advances. Among other things, this support is specifically designed to be used to pay workers, group health benefits and paid sick leave.

The health and safety of the American people must be put first during the COVID-19 pandemic. Without doing so, we risk undermining the efforts of us all.

SUPPORTING H.R. 266, THE PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM, AND H. RES. 935, THE HEALTH CARE ENHANCEMENT ACT

**HON. ALAN S. LOWENTHAL**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 23, 2020*

Mr. LOWENTHAL. Madam Speaker, today the House will consider the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act, crucial legislation to deliver resources our small businesses and health care providers need to confront the coronavirus outbreak. I will not attend House proceedings today but if present would have voted YEA on H.R. 266 and YEA on H.Res. 935 to establish a Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis.

This public health crisis has upended businesses in my community and across the country. Additional resources for the Paycheck Protection Program will ensure these businesses can retain employees and are ready to participate in our economic recovery. Further, additional resources for our healthcare system—including \$825 million for Community Health Centers—will make sure these essential organizations can continue to serve our communities during this pandemic.

I am proud of the efforts of House Democrats to strengthen this legislation, including securing key resources for testing and allocating small business loans to community-

based lenders that have strong relationships with local small businesses.

While I am proud of this bipartisan agreement, we must re-double our efforts in the weeks ahead to develop a relief plan that paves the way for our economic recovery.

AMANI ABDALLAH

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 23, 2020*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Amani Abdallah for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

Amani Abdallah is a 10th grader at Aurora West College Prep Academy and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Amani Abdallah 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 Amani Abdallah for winning the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

BATTLING THE PANDEMIC—A  
POEM

**HON. JOE WILSON**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 23, 2020*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, at a time of national emergency, it is inspiring that the positive "It Can Be Done" American Spirit is appreciated.

I include in the RECORD a meaningful contribution by Joan M. Lacombe, the Poet Laureate of Aiken, South Carolina, published in the Aiken Standard.

BATTLING THE PANDEMIC

They have closed the building, but not the church!

We will continue to reach out to the needy and distressed,

Vowing not one soul left to be missed.

For the church is not a building constructed by man.

It is made of "we the people," God's message to bring.

The church embodies the God-crafted Temples of the Holy Spirit

Where we all lovingly dwell within.

The cancellation of liturgies, a dramatic move,

New rules or worship set in place, health conditions to protect; we to obey.

Heartbreaking—as it disrupts our Lenten Journey

To have this taken away when we need it most—a bitter irony.

Together we will get through this—

It is not for us to fall into a faithless abyss. For we Christians are persevering

As our Easter goal we are nearing.

With 2000 years of History behind us,  
Our current effort to worship, an added plus.  
We can recall times and places  
Where we have endured persecution and  
trouble.  
We can still pray, worship, and commune  
with God—all together in the great  
outdoors,  
While maintaining social distancing and  
Greeting each other with hands folded in  
prayer, fingers pointing to heaven, a  
simple bow of the head—the Namaste  
greeting—  
Acknowledging, “I recognize the Spirit of  
God within you.”  
Our Faith still alive and flourishing, car-  
rying us through difficult times.  
Our effort shows our resiliency and resource-  
fulness—  
To be together, yet apart, as we cope with  
our current distress.  
We are up to the challenge—Praising God in  
new and creative ways.

Our prayers and sympathy for the tragic  
loss to the Wuhan Virus of Nursing Student  
Joshua Bush of the University of South Caro-  
lina-Aiken. Our community is blessed with the  
determined leadership of University Chancellor  
Sandra Jordan.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF KRISTIN JACOBS

#### HON. DEBBIE WASSERMAN SCHULTZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 23, 2020*

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Madam Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I, along with Representative DEUTCH, rise to honor the life of our dear friend, Florida State Representative Kristin Jacobs.

We were heartbroken to learn of her passing and join Floridians in mourning this tremendous loss to Broward County and the state of Florida.

Representative Jacobs began her career in public service on the Broward County Commission, eventually serving as Mayor in 2012. She served in the Florida House of Representatives from 2014 until her passing on April 11, 2020.

She was a groundbreaking environmental leader and fierce protector of Florida's lakes, streams, and oceans. She spearheaded the development of the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Compact, created the Broward Water and Climate Academy, and during her term as Mayor, was selected to serve on President Obama's Task Force on Climate Preparedness and Resilience. Representative Jacobs fought her illness just as she fought for our community—with determination, resilience, and grace. She was smart and tough and stood up for her beliefs, always backing them with facts and data.

Even while she underwent chemotherapy treatment for cancer, she remained an active member of the Florida State Legislature, serving her constituents from her hospital bed.

Kristin was the most genuine, decent, caring, and effervescent person. She was a loyal, real, and true friend, and we will miss her deeply.

Our hearts are with her three children, three grandchildren, and all her extended family. May her memory be a blessing.

#### SAVAUGHN CROOKS

#### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 23, 2020*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Savaughn Crooks for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

Savaughn Crooks is a 10th grader at Kearney Middle School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Savaughn Crooks 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 Savaughn Crooks for winning the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

#### TRIBUTE TO THE LIFE OF RABBI ALAN MAYOR SOKOBIN

#### HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 23, 2020*

Ms. KAPTUR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Alan Mayor Sokobin, Rabbi Emeritus of The Temple—Congregation Shomer Emunim in Sylvania, Ohio. Rabbi Sokobin suddenly passed from this life on Friday April 3, 2020.

Rabbi Sokobin was a giant in our community. Learned, faith-filled, a family man, loving, a leader, compassionate, a World War II veteran, funny, high-spirited, reverent, a community leader and so much more. As we mourn Rabbi Sokobin's passing, in the midst of Passover, as the Jewish people commemorate the exodus from Egypt to the promised land, they recognize the importance of welcoming the stranger, to opening one's home and the Passover dinner table to the other. Rabbi Sokobin spent his life welcoming the stranger and his imprint on our community is writ large, his contributions invaluable.

Alan Mayor Sokobin was born on March 8, 1926 in Newark, New Jersey, to parents Pauline and Max. At the age of fifteen he slipped away from his family to join the Navy, honorably serving in Europe and Japan. After the war he graduated from Syracuse University, and then pursued rabbinic studies at Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati, Ohio. He went on to receive his Doctor of Theology degree from Burton College. Marrying the love of his life on May 19, 1957, together he and Mickey raised two children and eventually presided over a family including five grandchildren.

Rabbi Sokobin came to our community in 1972 to join the congregation as co-rabbi with Leon Feuer. He soon established himself as an intellectual and ecumenical community leader, pairing with Toledo's mayor to improve Toledo Municipal Court, chairing the Labor-

Management-Citizens Committee, and working with Promedica Health System. Rabbi Sokobin's greatest gift to the faith community was the partnerships he formed with Toledo's faith leaders in the Catholic, Muslim, and other religious traditions.

After officially retiring in 1992, Rabbi Sokobin decided to go to Law School and graduated in 1996. He was named outstanding student of his class by a vote of faculty members. Rabbi Sokobin remained a constant figure not only in his congregation, but our community as the years passed into this decade. His wise counsel was sought and carefully considered regarding issues of the day. His thoughtful countenance and astute observations were treasured. Yet, it was always the most charming sight to see Rabbi Sokobin pull a balloon ever present in his pocket and fashion an animal as children—and adults—watched in wonder.

The young Anne Frank noted “Our lives are fashioned by our choices. First we make our choices. Then our choices make us.” Rabbi Alan Mayor Sokobin chose to live his life serving God with his whole heart,” a choice that made many all the richer. He spent his days putting the pieces of the world back together, he worked to fix the disconnected, to repair the world—he truly embodied *tikkun olam*. Today we mourn at his passing, but we celebrate his life and the progress he made to fix our broken world. We offer our heartfelt condolences to his family as they mourn this great man.

#### ENRIQUE HERNANDEZ

#### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 23, 2020*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Enrique Hernandez for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

Enrique Hernandez is a 10th grader at Mapleton Expeditionary School of the Arts and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Enrique Hernandez 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 Enrique Hernandez for winning the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

#### NEVER FORGET SMOLENSK MASSACRE

#### HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 23, 2020*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, this month, the people of Poland