

HONORING THE CAREER OF LIZ
HARRISON

HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2020

Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Liz Harrison, on the occasion of her retirement from television news after 38 years on the air. Liz has been a familiar face and name with ABC 30 in the Fresno, California community.

Liz, a native of Virginia, attended the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia, before graduating from the University of Florida with a degree in Broadcasting. Liz is married to Keith Allen, who works alongside her in the television news industry.

Liz joined Fresno's local ABC affiliate in 1982, a time when women were underrepresented in the news industry. Throughout her career, Liz has served as co-anchor of Action News Live at 5 and at 11. She has covered nearly every type of news story and is proud to have given a voice to so many who's stories needed to be told. In 2010, Liz and photo journalist Richard Harmelink won an Emmy Award for excellence in reporting for their story on the U.S. military training for war in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Liz's passion for her work led her to take on the intern coordinator position at the station, where she trained and mentored college students as they pursued a career in television news. She has given her time to numerous organizations, including Mighty Moms Foundation, the Art of Life Cancer Foundation, and the Fresno Rescue Mission.

For 38 years, Liz dedicated her career to telling the stories of the San Joaquin Valley. She has left a lasting impression on our community. Liz is dedicated to her family. She is the proud mom to five children and looks forward to spending more time with her grandchildren. She is also a breast cancer survivor and a role model.

Madam Speaker, it is with great respect that I ask my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in congratulating Liz Harrison on her career and retirement. I ask that you join me in wishing Liz continued success as she begins her next chapter, as the owner of a leadership, coaching and teaching business.

HONORING JOSEPH DANIEL
HEGEMAN

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

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Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize a special member of my staff. After two and a half years of service, Joseph Daniel Hegeman will be leaving his post in my Kansas City District Office.

Joe took over the field operations in 14 counties in the Great Northwest portion of my district in 2017. He has been an integral member of my field team throughout that time. Joe was tireless in making sure the people of the Sixth Congressional District were treated fairly by federal agencies and that their concerns

were heard by me and his colleagues in Washington. This is especially true as many of the counties Joe represented were hard hit by floods and agricultural crises in 2019. My staff and I relied on Joe to not only assist my hardest hit constituents, but on his background and knowledge of agricultural practices and farm-to-market programs to best form Congress's response to these issues. I am honored to have had Joe on my staff and my constituents were incredibly served by his efforts.

I have received many kind words from constituents praising the outstanding service Joe has provided. His professionalism and dedication to this office and my constituents was a great example of how government should work. While I am losing a valuable member of my team, I am excited for Joe to begin the next chapter of his life.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in thanking Joseph Daniel Hegeman for his years of service to the people of the Sixth Congressional District. I know Joe's colleagues, family and friends join with me in thanking him for his commitment to others and wishing him the best of luck in all his endeavors and many years of success to come.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE SERVICE
OF POLICE CAPTAIN DUSTIN
KRUEGER

HON. HALEY M. STEVENS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding career of Captain Dustin Krueger as he marks his retirement from the Northville Police Department.

Captain Krueger has worked in the Northville community for more than twenty-seven years. During his decades of service, he served as a DARE instructor, Taser Instructor, Active Shooter Instructor, Western Wayne Mobile Field Force Squad Leader, and a Bicycle Officer. He rose through the ranks quickly by demonstrating strong leadership and commitment to his work. He was promoted to Sergeant in 2001 and Captain in 2014. Captain Krueger received numerous honors throughout his career, including the 1995 and 2018 Police Officer of the Year Awards.

In 2018, Captain Krueger was appointed Acting Chief of Police, where he provided decisive leadership and stability during a time of transition. His unfailing dedication to the department and distinguished character were assets to his fellow officers and the community. We, in Michigan's 11th Congressional District, are so very grateful for his service.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in reflecting on the remarkable career of Captain Dustin Krueger and his many contributions to his community in Northville, Michigan.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. F. JAMES SENSENBRENNER, Jr.

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2020

Mr. SENSENBRENNER. Madam Speaker, due to a medical emergency, I was physically

absent from the House of Representatives on July 22, 2020. On that day, I missed 4 recorded votes. Had I been present for those votes. I would have voted as follows:

On Roll Call No. 153 on the adoption of the Rep. Chu House Amendment to Senate Amendment to H.R. 2486, had I been present, I would have voted "Nay."

On Roll Call No. 154 on the adoption of the Rep. Jayapal House Amendment to Senate Amendment to H.R. 2486, had I been present, I would have voted "Nay."

On Roll Call No. 155 on the concurring in the Senate Amendment to H.R. 1957, had I been present, I would have voted "Nay."

On Roll Call No. 156 on the passage of H.R. 7573, had I been present, I would have voted "Yay."

RUSSIAN CYBER ATTACKS ON
COVID RESEARCH CENTERS

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2020

Mr. HUDSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to strongly condemn the recently reported Russian cyberattacks on United States, United Kingdom and Canadian COVID-19 research centers.

As the world continues to battle the COVID-19 pandemic, Vladimir Putin's regime has once again lived up to its reputation for lawlessness and cynicism by targeting vaccine research and development organizations with "the intention of stealing information and intellectual property relating to the development and testing of COVID-19 vaccines," as assessed by U.S., British and Canadian intelligence agencies.

Sadly, neither this appalling cyberattack, nor the pitiful Kremlin denials which followed, are too surprising to those of us who watch Russia closely.

As a Member of the U.S. Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe—the OSCE PA—and Chairman of the Committee on Political Affairs and Security, I regularly participate in difficult discussions with Russian political leaders about Moscow's geopolitical misconduct. The Kremlin's campaign across the OSCE space and beyond is aimed at destabilizing and undermining the international order by any means necessary, to include the invasion and occupation of OSCE participating States, the assassination of political opponents abroad, disinformation and more.

On July 7, 2020, I communicated directly to the OSCE PA which included the presence of the Russian head of delegation how seriously the United States is taking reports of Russian monetary bounties to Taliban-linked insurgents for the killing of American and NATO soldiers in Afghanistan. The fact of Kremlin support to the Taliban had already surfaced in a hearing of the United States Helsinki Commission which I chaired on June 12, 2019, in open testimony by former Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Russia Michael Carpenter.

Madam Speaker, I will continue to work with colleagues here at home and across the Atlantic to ensure the Kremlin's bald-faced denials of its malign actions are countered, and that Vladimir Putin's regime faces the appropriate consequences for its actions. The

OSCE Parliamentary Assembly has proven time and again its value as a forum to counter disinformation and foster cooperation to counter common threats. A result of these most recent reports, I intend to advocate for that body to prioritize results-oriented discussions on state-sponsored cyberattacks in our region in its upcoming work session.

Madam Speaker, please join me in condemning the Kremlin's latest despicable actions.

HONORING JAKOB F. MULLINS

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Jakob F. Mullins, Jakob is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 1357, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Jakob has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Jakob has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Jakob has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Jakob helped clean over 250 military markers at New Hope Cemetery in Liberty, Missouri.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Jakob F. Mullins for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING EDWARD M. BARTHOLOMEW, JR. FOR HIS LIFETIME OF SERVICE TO CITY OF GLENS FALLS, WARREN COUNTY AND THE ENTIRE NORTH COUNTRY REGION

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2020

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Edward M. Bartholomew Jr. for his lifetime of service to the City of Glens Falls, Warren County and the entire North Country region.

Edward Bartholomew Jr. served in many important roles over the course of his over 40-year long career. Elected Mayor of the City of Glens Falls at the age of 28, Edward set to work revitalizing the community, making the Civic Center a success, building a modern baseball park, improving critical infrastructure and establishing the Greater Glens Falls Transit System. Over the course of his two terms in office, from 1978 to 1985, he cemented his reputation as someone who can grasp all the aspects of a challenge and accomplish his objectives despite daunting obstacles.

In 2010, after spending time in the State Senate, Ed returned to lead the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) of Warren County. Over the next decade, he used his

expertise, tireless work ethic and sterling reputation to accomplish many more important projects. As President of the EDC, he secured federal, state and local funding for major public works projects and businesses throughout Warren County. He recently succeeded in securing a \$10 million Downtown Revitalization Initiative Grant for Glens Falls which is currently funding important redevelopment work on South Street. Edward had been working around the clock through the COVID-19 pandemic, helping local businesses that were suffering due to the shutdown, even creating a new loan program for struggling small businesses.

Ed Bartholomew was an extraordinary leader for the Warren County community and beyond. He was tireless in his efforts focused on economic development and opportunity for every family in the region. He was a joy to work with and he understood the nexus of local, state, and federal government and how to deliver results for our region. He was also incredibly kind and will be greatly missed. I am honored to recognize his leadership in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on behalf of New York's 21st Congressional District.

BRINGING JOBS TO SOUTH CAROLINA

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2020

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, this month, the Midlands of South Carolina has been chosen as the location for major job creators.

The University of South Carolina and Navatek, LLC have been awarded a \$9.2 million contract by the U.S. Office of Naval Research for the research of power and energy systems and the development of digital twin prototypes. This is a win-win for all parties, especially the people of South Carolina. I am grateful that projects like these will grow our STEM-focused workforce, resulting in more career opportunities and good-paying jobs.

I am grateful that Nephron Pharmaceuticals Corporation plans a new \$215 million investment in Lexington County, bringing 380 new full-time jobs to the area by 2024. CEO Lou Kennedy has been a superstar for creating jobs and supporting the community. This is great news for Lexington County, and I commend Nephron for creating important job opportunities in Lexington.

In conclusion, God Bless our Troops, and we will never forget September 11th in the Global War on Terrorism.

HONORING MARTIN (MARTY) GRIFFIN, JR.

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2020

Mr. HUFFMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Martin (Marty) Griffin, Jr. who celebrates his 100th birthday on Thursday, July 23, 2020.

Born in 1920 and raised in Utah, Mr. Griffin's passion for the environment started at an

early age when he spent time as a Boy Scout in West Marin and the Bolinas Lagoon. His passion developed as he studied botany and zoology at the University of California at Berkeley from 1938–1942. He went on to study medicine at Stanford University before opening a medical practice in Marin County, where he was well known for prescribing his patients time outdoors in nature.

In the 1950's, Mr. Griffin worked hard to successfully lead the effort to preserve Richardson Bay. And, as land acquisition chairman of the Marin Audubon Society for eleven years, he worked tirelessly to protect open space in Marin County and stop projects like a city on the east shore of Tomales Bay or a planned nuclear facility near Bodega Bay. In 1962, Mr. Griffin founded Audubon Canyon Ranch, an environmental non-profit known for its instrumental work to protect landscapes in Marin County including the Bolinas Lagoon, Richardson Bay, Tomales Bay, and parts of what is now the Point Reyes National Seashore. Audubon Canyon Ranch became a nonprofit educational center that has taught generations of people the importance of protecting and respecting our environment.

Furthering his environmental stewardship footprint, in 1972 Mr. Griffin cofounded the Environmental Forum of Marin, which provides environmental training programs for environmental advocates and volunteers in Marin County. For 15 years starting in the 1980's, Mr. Griffin also served as the Sonoma Developmental Center's public health director where he led teams fighting against Hepatitis B and AIDS. In 1990, Mr. Griffin founded the Russian River Task Force, the Russian River Environmental Forum, and co-founded Friends of the Russian River, now known as the Russian RiverKeepers, all of which are instrumental in protecting the Russian River. In 1998, Mr. Griffin wrote a book, Saving the Marin-Sonoma Coast, which was later adapted into a 2012 documentary called Rebels with a Cause, a local favorite for many environmentalists to this day.

In addition to his many personal and professional accolades, Mr. Griffin's work has been recognized by many environmental groups such as the Environmental Education Council of Marin, which awarded Mr. Griffin the Environmental Leader of Marin Award in 2007. He has also received the Bay Nature Award in 2011 for his lifetime achievement as a conservation leader, the inaugural John Muir Legacy Conservation Award from the John Muir Association in 2013, and the Marin Conservation League's Peter Behr Lifetime Achievement Award in 2020. Further, in 2018 Mr. Griffin was recognized by the University of California at Berkeley, School of Public Health as one of the 75 most influential living alumni. The school also honored him and his loving wife Joyce by creating the Martin and Joyce Griffin Terrace Garden at the school's new campus.

Mr. Griffin has been an inspiration and mentor to me personally and to many environmentalists over the years. Madam Speaker, on behalf of those individuals and many more to come, I urge my colleagues to join us in expressing deep appreciation for Mr. Griffin's many achievements and enduring commitment to protecting the environments of Marin and Sonoma Counties, and in wishing him a very happy 100th birthday.