

WellSpan Chambersburg Hospital. On behalf of Pennsylvania's 13th District, I congratulate Rachel on this achievement and thank her for her service to our community.

JAMIE GONZALEZ

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

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

Jamie Gonzalez is a student at Jefferson Jr./Sr. H.S. and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Jamie Gonzalez 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 Jamie Gonzalez 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.

HONORING JIM THATCHER

HON. GREG PENCE

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

Mr. PENCE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Jim Thatcher of Dearborn County, Indiana. Jim served as the Republican County Chairman of Dearborn County. He committed his time, talents and energy to the Sixth Congressional District and the rest of the Hoosier state. I am grateful for his service. A dedicated public servant, Jim also serves Dearborn County as a commissioner and sits on the Planning Commission and Board of Community Mental Health. Jim is a member of the Bright Lions Club, the Scottish Rite of the Valley of Cincinnati, and the Southeastern Indiana Shrine Club. Finally, I have gotten to know Jim over the last four years, and I am grateful for his friendship. I thank Jim Thatcher.

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF
BANGLADESH'S INDEPENDENCE

HON. ANDY LEVIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

Mr. LEVIN of Michigan. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 50th anniversary of Bangladesh's independence, which is being celebrated on March 26, 2021.

On March 7, 1971, Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, who is called "Mujib" and is also known as the "Father of the Nation," delivered a speech calling for what was then known as East Paki-

stan to become an independent state. Bangladesh became independent from Pakistan on March 26, 1971, and since then, March 26th has been observed as a national holiday in Bangladesh. It is a day when people in Bangladesh as well as people around the world of Bangladeshi descent remember those who lost their lives in the brutal 1971 war for independence and celebrate Bangladesh's victory as a new independent nation.

The people of Bangladesh and the Bangladeshi diaspora, including Bangladeshi Americans in Michigan's 9th District, are observing the golden jubilee of the Independence Day and celebrating throughout the month of March. The 50th anniversary of Bangladesh's independence is deeply meaningful to those with connections to Bangladesh, there and abroad. I encourage my colleagues to join me in recognizing those working to honor Bangladesh's history by holding special events around the world, and in congratulating the people of Bangladesh and all Bangladeshi Americans on this historic day.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION
RECOGNIZING THE HERITAGE,
CULTURE, AND CONTRIBUTIONS
OF LATINAS IN THE UNITED
STATES

HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, one in six women in the United States is a Latina. There are currently nearly twenty-nine million Hispanic women living in the United States. Latinas have been part of our nation's fabric from the start. They contribute to our nation through their work in business, education, science and technology, medicine, engineering, mathematics, literature and the arts, the military, agriculture, hospitality, and public service at every level of the government. Latinas have served as essential workers throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and have kept the economy going and the people of the United States safe. Many have overcome a unique set of challenges and have paved their own paths to success. During National Women's History Month, I want to honor the millions of Latinas who have contributed to our nation.

Therefore, I am reintroducing a resolution recognizing the heritage, culture, and contributions of Latinas in the United States. This resolution will recognize their contributions to American society and further celebrates those who have inspired the next generation.

HONORING ANNETTE TAYLOR AS
THE 2020 WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Annette Taylor, whom I have named the 2020 Woman of the Year in Solano County, California. Woman of the Year recognizes women who have made

important contributions to California's 5th Congressional District in Arts and Culture, Professional Achievement, Entrepreneurship and Innovation or Community Service.

Born in Savannah, Georgia, Ms. Taylor's family moved to Vallejo in 1958. She attended the University of San Francisco and graduated in 1987 with a Bachelor of Science in Organizational Behavior. A member of the Vallejo Chamber of Commerce and the Solano County Black Chamber of Commerce, Ms. Taylor has prioritized nurturing local small businesses toward success and advocating for equity and equality for all. These efforts have not gone unnoticed, earning her dozens of accolades. Most notably, she was the recipient the Assemblywoman Pat Wiggins Woman of Achievement Award, not once but twice, in 2000 and 2002 and the Athena Award in 2004 from the Vallejo Chamber of Commerce.

Over the course of her life as a community leader, Ms. Taylor has had an immense impact on the people of Vallejo. A lifetime member and former president of the Vallejo Section of the National Council of Negro Women, Ms. Taylor has proven herself a leader amongst others. She has been an effective community advocate for communities of color in her roles as a life member and the former first vice president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People's (NAACP) Vallejo Branch, receiving the President's Award in 1988.

Ms. Taylor currently serves as the Senior Community Development Analyst in the Economic Development Division in the city of Vallejo. In 2000 and 2020, Ms. Taylor received the California on Location Award as the Employee of the Year for Cities for her many years of professionally supporting the film industry and their activities. She has utilized her personal and professional successes to lift worthy causes in our community. Further, as a consummate philanthropist, Ms. Taylor has donated to the arts, public broadcasting and veterans.

Madam Speaker, Ms. Annette Taylor is a lifelong public servant, dedicated to giving back to our community of Vallejo, and a great friend. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor Ms. Annette Taylor here today as Solano County's 2020 Woman of the Year.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BRADLEY SCOTT SCHNEIDER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

Mr. SCHNEIDER. Madam Speaker, I rise today regarding a vote I missed on March 17, 2021.

Had I been present for Roll Call Vote 88 on the COVID-19 Bankruptcy Relief Extension Act of 2021 (H.R. 1651), I would have voted yea. During the COVID-19 pandemic, small businesses and American families have struggled to make ends meet. This bill offers critical support to businesses by extending the bankruptcy relief provisions in the CARES Act for another year. I was honored to vote for these provisions in the CARES Act and am a strong supporter of extending them. In keeping with the spirit of this legislation, I will continue to advocate for relief to small businesses and economic recovery in the wake of COVID.

INTRODUCTION OF THE END OIL AND GAS TAX SUBSIDIES ACT OF 2021

HON. EARL BLUMENAUER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Madam Speaker, America faces a climate crisis. This fact is indisputable, as is the fact that humans are primary cause of the changing climate. But our tax code does not reflect this, instead it showers billions of dollars of benefits to profitable oil and gas companies. Today, I introduced the End Oil and Gas Tax Subsidies Act of 2021, legislation that would eliminate nearly a dozen of the most egregious tax breaks enjoyed by the oil and gas industry.

Despite consistent profitability, fossil fuel companies receive billions of dollars in federal tax breaks and subsidies, which underwrite the costs of oil and gas production. These forgone revenues undermine the United States' ability to combat the climate crisis and invest in critical initiatives like education, housing, infrastructure, and healthcare. The End Oil and Gas Tax Subsidies Act of 2021 would not only eliminate 11 of these provisions in the tax code, it would also ensure the United States is no longer providing tax subsidies to oil and gas at the expense of clean energy, increasing the competitiveness of the energy industry.

I look forward to working with my colleagues in the House and Senate to get this legislation enacted into law this year.

IN RECOGNITION OF MONICA DIEHL

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Monica Diehl on receiving the Health Care Worker of the Year Award from the Greater Chambersburg Chamber of Commerce.

Monica is the Director of Patient Education and Development at Keystone Health. Prior to the pandemic, her primary duties were administrative, but she did not hesitate to tap into her clinical skills to help the patients amid the crisis. She led a staff outreach and education program to ensure the team was following safe protocols for treating patients during the pandemic. Monica also volunteered to lead a COVID-19 testing site and later spearheaded the vaccine operation at the hospital. Under her leadership and diligence, Keystone Health has not wasted a single COVID-19 vaccine dose.

Monica exhibits true dedication, compassion, and professionalism to the patients at Keystone Health. On behalf of Pennsylvania's 13th District, I congratulate Monica on this incredible work and thank her for her service to our community.

SABRINA ZUNIGA

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

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

Sabrina Zuniga is a student at Jefferson Jr./Sr. H.S. and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Sabrina Zuniga 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 Sabrina Zuniga 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.

HONORING CELESTE CALVITTO

HON. GREG PENCE

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

Mr. PENCE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Celeste Calvitto of Dearborn County, Indiana. Celeste served as the Republican County Vice Chairwoman of Dearborn County. She committed her time, talents and energy to the Sixth Congressional District and the rest of the Hoosier state. I am grateful for her service.

Not only is Celeste a successful businesswoman, she is also a fervent leader and volunteer in her community. She founded the Dearborn County Anti-Litter Initiative, the One Dearborn Economic Development organization, is a member of the Highpoint Health Foundation Board, and sponsors the annual Mardi Gras Ball to benefit the Children's Advocacy Center of Southeastern Indiana.

Finally, I have gotten to know Celeste over the last four years, and I am grateful for her friendship. I thank Celeste.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MONTFORD POINT MARINE ROBERT MOORE

HON. MIKE LEVIN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

Mr. LEVIN of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Robert Moore, who passed away on February 25, 2021, after a lifetime of service to his country.

Robert was born in 1929 in Queens, New York. After enlisting in the Marines in 1946, he became one of approximately 20,000 Black men to train at the segregated Camp Montford Point in North Carolina. The Montford Point Marines were regularly subjected to racist attacks from White Marines stationed at Camp Lejeune.

Robert spent over four decades at Camp Pendleton, which I am proud to represent. He served honorably in the Korean and Vietnam Wars, where he ran mess halls and trained Marines in food service. In 1972, he retired from the Marine Corps at the rank of gunnery sergeant and received his degree from Palomar College. He spent the following 20 years working at Camp Pendleton as a dietic technician at the Naval Hospital.

Robert was one of the last surviving Montford Point Marines in the San Diego area. Fewer than 400 of the original 20,000 Montford Point Marines are still living. He was a proud recipient of a Congressional Gold Medal awarded to all Montford Point Marines.

Robert was married to his wife Willie Mae Miles for 56 years before her death in 2004. They had 11 children, 19 grandchildren, 47 great-grandchildren, and 10 great-great grandchildren.

Robert Moore lived an incredible and full life. He was a dedicated husband, parent, and friend. His courage and valor laid the foundation for future generations. We are grateful for his service to his country.

HONORING LUKE WALDROP

HON. H. MORGAN GRIFFITH

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 26, 2021

Mr. GRIFFITH. Madam Speaker, I rise in honor of Louis Stephens "Luke" Waldrop Sr. of Salem, Virginia, who passed away on March 12, 2021 at the age of 97. Mr. Waldrop was a real estate developer and philanthropist who made a tremendous impact on Salem throughout his long and active life.

Mr. Waldrop was born on June 11, 1923 to Alexander Atkinson and Carolyn Bear Waldrop. He grew up in Roanoke and attended Episcopal High School in Alexandria. His collegiate studies at the University of Virginia (UVA) were interrupted by World War II, in which he served as a Navy medic in the Pacific theater. After completing his service, Mr. Waldrop returned to UVA to finish his degree and married Harriett, at the time a senior at Mary Baldwin College.

After a stint in Richmond, Mr. Waldrop moved with his young family back to his native Roanoke Valley. His brother John introduced him to R.L. Russ, who educated him in the real estate business. Mr. Waldrop launched his own company, L.S. Waldrop Realty, in 1956.

Much of our country was remade by the housing boom that followed World War II. It was Luke Waldrop that harnessed that boom to remake Salem. With a keen sense for deal making and closing the sale, he drove forward residential and business development. Middleton Gardens, West Club Forest, Woodbridge, Spartan Square, Salem Terrace at Harrogate, Caroline Forest Apartments, and over 900 single family homes resulted from his professional efforts.

Mr. Waldrop was devoted to charitable causes and community organizations in Salem and beyond. Among the educational institutions that benefited from his contributions and support for endowed scholarships are his alma mater UVA, Roanoke College, Mary Baldwin College, Virginia Western Community College,