

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CHAMPAIGN NATIVE, TYLER
MCGILL, WINS OLYMPIC GOLD IN
SWIMMING

HON. TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the achievements of Olympic Swimming Gold Medalist Tyler McGill.

Champaign native, Tyler McGill, took home Olympic Gold last month. McGill was part of the 4X100-meter medley relay team that won gold in London.

McGill, born and raised in Champaign, Illinois, was a State Champion swimmer at Champaign Central High School, and went on to become an All-American swimmer at Auburn University.

Tyler has consistently been one of the top butterfly swimmers in the country. He qualified for the London Games, finishing second behind Michael Phelps at the USA Swimming Trials, with a time of 51.31 seconds.

In London Tyler qualified third for the finals of the 100-meter butterfly, eventually finishing seventh. His medaling opportunity came shortly after his seventh place finish as he swam the butterfly leg during the prelims of the 4X100-meter medley relay. USA went on to capture gold in that event and McGill took home some hardware.

I would like to congratulate Tyler's parents, Jeff and Susan, for the encouragement and support they have given Tyler over the years to become the exceptional Olympian that he is today.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DAVID N. CICILLINE

OF RHODE ISLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. CICILLINE. Mr. Speaker, on the Legislative Day of September 10, 2012, upon request of a leave of absence, a series of votes were held. Had I been present for these rollcall votes, I would have casted the following votes: On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 6122, To revise the authority of the Librarian of Congress to accept gifts and bequests on behalf of the Library, and for other purposes (Roll No. 557)—I vote "Yes"; On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, as Amended H.R. 2139, Lions Clubs International Century of Service Commemorative Coin Act (Roll No. 558)—I vote "Yes"; On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 6186, To require a study of voluntary community-based flood insurance options and how such options could be incorporated into the national flood insurance program (Roll No. 559)—I vote "Yes."

On the Legislative Day of September 11, 2012, upon request of a leave of absence, a

series of votes were held. Had I been present for these rollcall votes, I would have casted the following votes: On Ordering the Previous Question for H. Res. 773, Providing for consideration of H.R. 5544, to authorize and expedite a land exchange involving National Forest System land in the State of Minnesota for the public school system, and for consideration of H.R. 5949, to extend the FISA Amendments Act of 2008 for 5 years (Roll No. 560)—I vote "No"; On Agreeing to the Resolution H. Res. 773, Providing for consideration of H.R. 5544, to authorize and expedite a land exchange involving National Forest System land in the State of Minnesota for the public school system, and for consideration of H.R. 5949, to extend the FISA Amendments Act of 2008 for 5 years (Roll No. 561)—I vote "No"; and On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, as Amended H.R. 4264, FHA Emergency Fiscal Solvency Act (Roll No. 562)—I vote "Yes."

RECOGNIZING OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

HON. DARRELL E. ISSA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of tens of thousands of women and their families. In 2012, over 22,000 women will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer. Tragically, 15,500 will die from this disease. Ovarian cancer is the deadliest gynecological cancer among American women.

This September, we recognize Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month, honoring those who have battled cancer—and those who continue to struggle with the disease. Their courage is an inspiration to all of us and a reminder that together, we can beat ovarian cancer.

With early diagnosis, ovarian cancer is survivable. Over 95% of women who detect ovarian cancer during the early stages of the disease defeat the disease. By learning the symptoms, checking their family histories and visiting with their doctors, women can detect ovarian cancer before it's too late.

No one and no family should have to face ovarian cancer without the knowledge necessary to detect and defeat it. Along with my fellow Congressmen and citizens, I am proud to have helped fight ovarian cancer. In 2005, I joined my colleagues to create a federal educational campaign for gynecological cancer, urging the Center for Disease Control and the Office of Women's Health to cooperate with non-profits to raise cancer awareness among women and health practitioners.

That year, I also successfully introduced Johanna's Law. In memory of Johanna Silver, who lost her life to cancer after a three and a half month battle with ovarian cancer, Johanna's Law has helped increase awareness of gynecological cancers.

I urge all members to recognize and remember Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month and the impact of cancer upon our community.

RECOGNIZING THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

HON. PETER J. ROSKAM

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to rise today to congratulate Zion Lutheran Church on its 175th Anniversary. On September 30th, Zion Lutheran Church will celebrate its legacy of faith and service.

Founded in 1837, Zion Lutheran Church is the second oldest established church in the State of Illinois. Spanning three different centuries, Zion Lutheran Church has helped make Bensenville a better place to live, learn, and worship. Members of the Zion Lutheran Church community have helped share the grace of God with others by helping establish 11 additional Lutheran churches in DuPage County. Over the years, Zion Lutheran Church has brought hope and fellowship to countless individuals and families.

Zion-Concord Lutheran School is also commemorating its 156th Anniversary this year. Since its inception, Zion-Concord Lutheran School has succeeded in its mission to provide families with a high quality Christian education and to nurture and enrich its students through the teaching of Holy Scripture.

Mr. Speaker and Distinguished Colleagues, please join me in recognizing these significant milestones for the Zion Lutheran Church and Zion-Concord Lutheran School, and in wishing them many more years of achievement and faithful service. May God bless the congregation on this special occasion.

SUPPORT OF OVARIAN CANCER MONTH

HON. DAVID LOEBSACK

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. LOEBSACK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my support for women and families affected by ovarian cancer. In 2012, it is estimated that approximately 22,280 women will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer and 15,500 will die of the disease. In Iowa alone an estimated 190 women will die from ovarian cancer this year. Too many American women—sisters, daughters, nieces, wives, friends, neighbors, and coworkers—are losing their lives to this disease.

Ovarian cancer is the ninth most common cancer among women and the fifth leading cause of cancer-related deaths, making it the deadliest of gynecologic cancers. If ovarian cancer is treated before it spreads, the five-year survival rate is 93 percent. Currently, only 15 percent of ovarian cancers are found at such an early stage and overall the relative five-year survival rate is 46 percent. I urge my

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colleagues to help make women aware of the potential warning signs to prevent future deaths.

September is National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month—an important time during which ovarian cancer organizations, advocates, and others will be helping to raise awareness about the disease and its symptoms. As a member of the bipartisan House Cancer Caucus, I urge my colleagues and their staff to join me in recognizing September as National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month and to join us year round in working to increase public knowledge about this deadly disease and work towards a cure.

TAIWAN OBSERVER STATUS IN
THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL
AVIATION ORGANIZATION

SPEECH OF

HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 11, 2012

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, as one of the Co-Chairs of the bipartisan Congressional Taiwan Caucus, I rise in strong support of S. Con. Res. 17. I particularly want to commend Chairwoman ROS-LEHTINEN and Ranking Member BERMAN for bringing this concurrent resolution to the floor. Additionally, I would like to applaud the work and leadership of our other Co-Chairs—Ms. BERKLEY of Nevada, Mr. DIAZ-BALART of Florida, and Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia—for their work supporting our relationship with Taiwan.

Since its inception in 1947, the International Civil Aviation Organization, ICAO, has been a great resource for the international community to develop and foster the most efficient and safest means of airline travel across the world. In the aftermath of the horrific terrorist attacks 11 years ago today on September 11, 2001, it was the ICAO that convened a conference to endorse a uniform international strategy to ensure aviation safety throughout the world.

Mr. Speaker, unfortunately, our friends in Taiwan have been excluded from participation in the ICAO since 1971. Not only has that diminished Taiwan's ability to stay at the cutting edge of aviation, it has also presented obstacles to the international community as a whole because the ICAO cannot completely fulfill its mission to meet the needs of all people in efficient and safe air travel.

Taiwan has a very large footprint within commercial aviation that warrants its inclusion within the ICAO. The Taipei Flight Information Region covers airspace of 176,000 square nautical miles and provides air traffic control services to over 1.3 million flights annually. Additionally, there are over 174,000 international flights carrying more than 35 million passengers that fly in and out of Taiwan each year. With this high volume of air traffic, Taiwan certainly deserves to have a seat at the table of the ICAO—at least as an observer.

Mr. Speaker, this is precisely what this concurrent resolution seeks to accomplish. Providing Taiwan with meaningful participation at the ICAO only benefits both the Taiwanese and the international community as a whole. Due to our longstanding relationship and respect for our friends in Taiwan, I urge all of my colleagues to support S. Con. Res. 17.

HONORING THE UNIVERSITY OF
NOTRE DAME DU LAC ON THE
OCCASION OF ITS 170 YEARS IN
SOUTH BEND, INDIANA

HON. JOE DONNELLY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. DONNELLY of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today joined by members of the Indiana delegation, Senators DAN COATS and RICHARD LUGAR, Representatives LARRY BUCSHON, DAN BURTON, ANDRÉ CARSON, MIKE PENCE, TODD ROKITA, MARLIN STUTZMAN, PETE VISCLOSKEY, AND TODD YOUNG to honor The University of Notre Dame du Lac on the occasion of its 170 years in South Bend, Indiana. The University has made significant contributions to the United States of America since its founding in 1842 by Rev. Edward F. Sorin, C.S.C. Fortified by a deep faith in God and an unwavering commitment to the common good, the University has impacted the Nation's history, its educational accomplishments, and its outreach and ministry to the vulnerable and the poor.

As Fr. Sorin sought to bridge the education gap in the expanding frontier, he began a history that intertwined with and influenced the history of our Nation. During World War II, Notre Dame established a Naval center that trained 12,000 officers in South Bend, Indiana, an episode that is commemorated yearly in a respectful football rivalry.

Notre Dame has been a leader in promoting diversity in higher education and American culture, especially the pioneering work of Fr. Theodore Hesburgh as the guiding voice of the Civil Rights Commission that crafted the framework to end segregation with the Civil Rights Act of 1964. An association with the Peace Corps goes back to the agency's founding in 1961, when the first volunteers were trained on campus under the strong support of Fr. Hesburgh; since then, more than 800 Notre Dame graduates have entered the Peace Corps, more than from any other Catholic college or university.

Notre Dame's dedication to educational excellence is reflected in its highly ranked Mendoza College of Business and Law School in addition to a well-regarded School of Architecture. Its research programs have made great contributions to national science and health over the years, ranging from the discovery of synthetic rubber by Fr. Julius Nieuwland in the 1920's to the mapping of the mosquito genome in this century as a way to prevent the spread of malaria and other diseases. More recently, the Nuclear Science Laboratory began construction on a new nuclear accelerator, the first accelerator the National Science Foundation has funded in nuclear physics in nearly a quarter century.

The University encourages research and innovation as evidenced by Innovation Park at Notre Dame which connects aspiring innovators with Notre Dame faculty, students and resources, collaborates with industry experts, and supports entrepreneurs.

Notre Dame continues to build on its inspiring legacy of service which has left a positive and lasting impact on the soul of this Nation for over 170 years. Its Summer Service Learning Program has provided some 4,000 undergraduate students with a scholarship to perform eight weeks of community service in the

communities of Notre Dame alumni clubs across the Nation. The Alliance for Catholic Education, ACE, sends nearly 200 recent graduates each year to teach in about 100 understaffed Catholic schools across the country.

The administrators, faculty, students and graduates, have provided leadership that has helped shape our Nation—and the world—with approximately eighty percent (80%) of Notre Dame students active in social service each year through the University's Center for Social Concerns. In addition, the Notre Dame family contributes more than 400,000 hours of volunteer service each academic year.

The University's mission is to cultivate in its students not only an appreciation for the great achievements of human beings, but also a love of God and a disciplined sensibility to the poverty, injustice, and oppression that burden the lives of so many. Its aim is to create a sense of human solidarity and concern for the common good that will bear fruit as learning becomes service to justice. Notre Dame makes our Nation stronger and deserves our deepest appreciation.

Once again, we offer congratulations to the University of Notre Dame and join the Northern Indiana Center for History as they celebrate Notre Dame's 170 years of vision, leadership, and engagement in the community, the State, the country, and the world.

HONORING THE LIFE OF J.R.
"DICK" BIRDWELL

HON. BILL FLORES

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. FLORES. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to pay tribute to J.R. "Dick" Birdwell, a proud lifelong Aggie and former City Councilman of College Station, Texas, and Mayor and City Councilman of Lake Jackson, Texas. He passed on April 4th at the age of 81, only two days after he and his beloved wife Joyce celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary.

Dick Birdwell was born in Stephenville and moved to College Station in 1945. He graduated from A&M Consolidated High School and went on to receive his undergraduate and masters degrees from Texas A&M University. While at A&M he was a member of the Ross Volunteers and a battalion commander in the Corps of Cadets.

Birdwell was a longtime Dow Chemical Company employee in Houston; Brisbane, Australia; Lake Jackson, Texas; and Baton Rouge, Louisiana. After retiring he returned to College Station.

Mayor Birdwell served the citizens of Lake Jackson as Councilman and Mayor from 1979 to 1982, he also served as Councilman of College Station for three terms, serving two consecutive terms from 1988 to 1992, and a third term from 1996 to 1998.

While serving on City Council, Birdwell was known to extensively study the issues and was not shy about expressing his ideas. He was always well prepared for council meetings and showed pride in serving his community.

While residing in College Station, Birdwell would begin to serve his community through numerous engineering organizations, as a mediator for the Dispute Resolution Agency of

Brazos County, as an active member of the Rotary Club of College Station, and as a docent for both the George Bush Presidential Library and Museum and the Texas A&M Sports Museum.

Even after leaving City Council, Birdwell would take on other city causes such as a petition drive that led to freezing property taxes for senior citizens and the disabled. He would also serve on the cemetery board and as an alternate member of the zoning board of adjustments.

College Station Mayor Nancy Berry may have said it best when she described the passing of Dick Birdwell as "a phenomenal loss for our community."

Today I pay tribute to a great Aggie who served College Station with honor and great respect. I know I am not alone as I say thank you, Dick Birdwell, for all that you have done for the Aggie community.

SUPPORT OF HOME HEALTH CARE

HON. DAVID LOEBSACK

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. LOEBSACK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my support for home health care providers and care givers. As we look for ways to ensure that Medicare remains solvent in the years to come and continues to provide affordable, quality health care to our nation's seniors, it is important to highlight those initiatives that are currently working well and saving money for the program.

Studies have shown that home health care services have saved Medicare \$2.8 billion dollars over three years. This is because it is often less expensive to care for Medicare beneficiaries in their own homes than a skilled nursing facility or hospital setting. Further, quality care at home can prevent these more costly and intrusive interventions in the first place, as well as prevent repeat hospitalizations.

Home health care also provides a more convenient and comfortable standard of living both for those receiving care and their families. The advantage of being home with your loved ones can make the world of difference in positive health outcomes. This is particularly important in rural areas like many parts of my district, where there often are fewer providers and choices when it comes to nursing care.

As we work to find cost savings, it is important to keep in mind that home health care providers deliver quality, effective health care to our seniors and helps to keep Medicare costs down.

CELEBRATING THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT DEMOCRATIC CLUB

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct pleasure to congratulate the members of the Hammond, Indiana Franklin D. Roosevelt Democratic Club as they celebrate the organi-

zation's 80th anniversary. In honor of this momentous occasion, the Franklin D. Roosevelt Club will be hosting an anniversary banquet on September 15, 2012 at the Restaurant at Lost Marsh in Hammond, Indiana.

The Franklin D. Roosevelt Club of Hammond, Indiana was founded by forty-two members of Polish ancestry on December 3, 1932. The Club has grown over the years, and currently consists of 110 members. The mission of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Club is to "maintain high standards and secure the best possible candidate for the Democratic Party." Since its inception, club members have selflessly given their time and support to the community of Northwest Indiana. The residents of Northwest Indiana truly benefit from the Club's "Candidates' Night," which is held the week before each primary and general election. This is an outstanding opportunity for voters to meet candidates and discuss with them the needs of their community. For their significant contributions to upholding the ideals of the democratic process in their communities and throughout Northwest Indiana, the members and leaders of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Club are to be highly commended.

The dedication and generosity of the Club and its members has also been evidenced over the years by their innumerable charitable acts to those in need throughout the broader community, irrespective of their political beliefs. I also must acknowledge the sheer kindness the members of the Club show to all.

I still fondly recall the first Franklin D. Roosevelt Club meeting I attended in March of 1983. I didn't know anyone in the Club when I entered St. Casimir Hall. But through the graciousness of the late President Ed Nawracaj and his wife, Sophie, as well as Wally and Paula Skibinski, Dorrie Kometz, and many others, I was welcomed as a lifelong friend and left the hall "knowing everyone."

The warmth a "total stranger" enjoyed that evening, and many to follow, remain forever in this Member's heart.

At this time, I would like to acknowledge the 2012 Franklin D. Roosevelt Club officers. They are: President Gregory J. Sanchez, First Vice President Kay Pucalik, Second Vice President Leslie Stanish, Secretary Barney Stodola, Treasurer Mary T. Hildebranski, Sergeant at Arms Brian Krupinski, Chaplain Reverend Stephen D. Kosinski, and Trustees Diana Beyer, Joe Scasny, and Rosemary Wojdyla.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in honoring and congratulating the members of the Hammond, Indiana Franklin D. Roosevelt Democratic Club on the 80th anniversary of their organization. The work of this truly admirable organization is a great asset to the people of Northwest Indiana, and for their selfless service, the leadership and members of the Club are worthy of the highest praise, and I am proud to serve as their representative in Washington, D.C.

REMEMBERING ANN ARNOLD

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Ann Arnold. After a decades-

long battle with leukemia, she passed away earlier this month at the age of 67. Ms. Arnold is the longtime president and CEO of the Texas Association of Broadcasters, and served as the press secretary to former Texas Governor Mark White.

Ms. Arnold was always fascinated by the media and its ability to uncover the truth. She founded her junior high school newspaper and moonlighted for community newspapers, covering evening city council and school board meetings. In 1968, she earned a journalism degree from the University of Texas at Austin. To pay her way through college, Ms. Arnold worked three jobs; including working at the Capitol Bureau of the Dallas Times-Herald. In 1966, she received the Headlines Award.

After graduation, Ms. Arnold joined the Capitol Bureau of United Press International. That same year she married her high-school sweetheart, Reg Arnold. In 1980, Ms. Arnold joined the Fort Worth Star-Telegram's Capitol staff. In 1983, she became the press secretary for Governor Mark White, the first Texas woman in history to hold the position.

Shortly after Governor White lost his bid for re-election to a second term, Ms. Arnold was diagnosed with leukemia. Although she was told that she only had six months to two years to live, twenty years later, and after an experimental treatment at Houston's M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Ms. Arnold was still going strong and became an icon of hope statewide.

As executive director of the Texas Association of Broadcasters, and through her work at the Texas Capitol, before Congress and the Federal Communications Commission, Ms. Arnold was influential in helping broadcasters achieve a positive business climate in Texas. Ms. Arnold also positioned the Texas Association of Broadcasters as a primary defender of Texas' open government laws and was repeatedly recognized for her achievements on behalf of the industry. In 2001, she received the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas' James Madison Award with then Attorney General JOHN CORNYN.

During her tenure at the Texas Association of Broadcasters, Ms. Arnold doubled station membership, expanded an array of member services for stations, recruited top professional staff, and oversaw the construction of the association's permanent home just blocks from the Texas Capitol. In 2007, Ms. Arnold received the Texas Association of Broadcasters' "Lifetime Achievement Award".

Ms. Arnold's successes with the broadcast industry and local communities throughout Texas have strengthened the communities she worked with and her passion and dedication will certainly be missed. I would like to extend my sincerest condolences to Ms. Arnold's family and friends.

MAJOR DONALD HOLLEDER

HON. JACK KINGSTON

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. KINGSTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and accomplishments of Donald Holleder, Major, United States Army.

Donald Holleder was born on August 3, 1934, in Buffalo, New York. He was an outstanding high school athlete, and was sought

after by some of America's most prestigious universities. But Donald Holleder chose to attend the United States Military Academy at West Point, even forgoing a National Football League draft selection by the New York Giants in 1956 to serve as an officer in the Army.

Don Holleder was, by nature, a selfless man who subordinated himself to the greater good of the team, whether that team was on the football field or the field of battle. He was the embodiment of a true leader, willing to endure personal sacrifice so that others could succeed, even at risk to his own personal safety.

Major Holleder's actions in Vietnam on the morning of October 17th, 1967 at the Battle of Ong Thanh were unparalleled in their bravery. According to eyewitness accounts documented in the Army's recommendation for award, his actions to save wounded soldiers under enemy fire were above and beyond the call of duty. After several requests to be permitted to assist his men, the Brigade Commander relented and gave his approval. Having voluntarily gone outside the perimeter, armed with only a .45 caliber pistol and advised of the peril he faced, he ran several times into no-man's land, risking his own life to save others. Stabilizing a rapidly deteriorating situation and reestablishing command, this Brigade staff officer saved many lives before he was mortally wounded.

On April 27th, 2012, Major Donald Holleder was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross in recognition of his sacrifice. His actions were indeed so notable and involved risk of life so extraordinary that he clearly deserves to be set apart from his comrades, exemplifying the timeless values of courage and sacrifice that this award is intended to honor.

RECOGNIZING THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF ENABLE AMERICA

HON. C. W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 10th Anniversary of Enable America, a first of its kind organization entirely dedicated to reducing unemployment among people with disabilities. This organization has assisted countless people with disabilities in finding a job and the belief that "good things happen when people have jobs" underpins their efforts.

Enable America was founded by Richard Salem, a man intimately familiar with the disabled community. After losing his eyesight as a teenager, Richard's parents were the main drivers behind his continued inclusion in the public high school system, which later allowed him to graduate cum laude from Belmont Abbey College. In pursuing a law degree, he was the first blind student to attend Duke Law School, graduating with distinction in 1972. Now, 40 years later, Richard is not only a successful lawyer, as the founding partner of the Tampa-based Salem Law group, he is also a tireless advocate for those living with disabilities and life-changing diseases.

Knowing that the support he received was one of the keys to his success, Richard founded Enable America in 2002 as a nonprofit organization that is focused on increasing em-

ployment among the 54 million Americans with disabilities, including wounded warriors and disabled veterans. With more than 70 percent of adults with disabilities wanting to work so that they can live independently, the programs that Enable America has developed helps them to achieve this goal. Enable America's committed staff knows that having a job gives people "self-esteem, independence and pride. They have a place in the community and are able to grow and become their own person."

In assisting people with disabilities to find a job, Enable America directly confronts the misinformation or misunderstandings about the disabled community, which often hinders people with disabilities from finding employment. Enable America's two-pronged approach was developed specifically to help connect the disabled community with the business community. First, they host Community Connection Meetings across the nation, which assist with the creation of a national information-sharing network comprised of local community task forces devoted to eliminating the barriers to employment for disabled individuals. Second, Enable America hosts a series of meetings with business leaders, managers, resource professionals and speakers to encourage prospective employers to hire disabled job seekers by demonstrating the many benefits of hiring disabled employees and by answering questions that businesses may have about issues such as personnel policies, taxes and insurance.

Beyond connecting people with disabilities with business leaders, Enable America also provides disability employee mentoring. This program provides people with disabilities with real-world experience in the workplace by matching mentees with business mentors that are looking to improve diversity and increase employment opportunities. Today, I have the privilege to host one of these mentees in my Washington, D.C. office. William "Bill" Rockwood, who is currently pursuing a law degree at Georgetown, does not allow his learning disability to stop him from embracing new experiences and taking advantage of opportunities when they come along. Programs like Enable America, which offered Bill a unique mentoring opportunity, not only provide an irreplaceable experience for the mentees, but also afford mentors an impactful look at the contributions they can make in any work environment.

Finally, Enable America assists our wounded warriors as they return to active duty or civilian life. These brave men and women who have served our country in combat deserve all the assistance that we can provide. Military service members, past and present, possess a great sense of honor and traits any employer would find valuable—duty, commitment, and loyalty. Enable America honors their service and sacrifice by showing businesses that investing in our nation's veterans and honoring their service to our nation is not charity, but a smart decision.

Mr. Speaker, as you can see this organization is truly making a difference in the lives of those living with disabilities. I ask my colleagues to join with me today in recognizing this important milestone and to wish Enable America continued success in the future.

HONORING LT COL KRISTINE SWAIN FOR 21 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Lieutenant Colonel Kristine Swain for her 21 years of dedicated service to our great country. Lt Col Swain graduated from the United States Air Force Academy in 1991, and a year later earned her Master of Arts in Russian studies from the University of Kansas. During Lt Col Swain's 21 years of exceptional service she has served in South Korea, Saudi Arabia, Alaska, England, Kosovo, Italy, and Belgium.

During Lt Col Swain's three year assignment in Brussels she authored position papers for use by both the Secretary of Defense and Secretary of State for negotiations dealing with the Russian incursion into Georgia. She was awarded her second Defense Meritorious Service Medal in part for translating complex and delicate guidance into concrete NATO policy and action. Lt Col Swain is currently serving as associate professor of history at the Air Force Academy where she has authored a new course in Russian history and co-authored an innovative senior level course on the Cold War. We are all indebted to the selfless service members such as Lt Col Swain and many others who courageously defend our great nation.

IN HONOR OF JULIAN ROGERS

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Julian Rogers, a member of the Cuyahoga County Council serving the Tenth District.

Councilman Rogers was elected to the Cuyahoga County Council in 2010 and currently chairs the Environment and Sustainability Committee. He is also the current Executive Director of Education Voters Ohio, a statewide, nonprofit organization that works to improve the quality of public education throughout Ohio.

Prior to serving the residents of Cuyahoga County, Councilman Rogers worked as the senior assistant to the Chief Executive Officer at the Cleveland Municipal School District (CMSD) for a span of seven years. During that time, he also served as a Liaison to the Office of the Mayor for five years. Preceding his work with the CMSD and City of Cleveland, Rogers worked on Mary Boyle's campaign for the U.S. Senate, as a Regional Director for America Coming Together, served as a delegate to the 2004 Democratic National Convention, co-founded Blue 88 and served as Field Director for the Cuyahoga County Arts and Culture levy which helps provide over \$16 million a year to support arts and culture in the community. Additionally he has been appointed to the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority in 2006 and 2009,

and has served as a Program Associate for Public Policy and Research for the Community Partnership for Arts and Culture.

Councilman Rogers is the recipient of several awards and honors including the Emerging Leader Award bestowed upon him by Congresswoman Stephanie Tubbs-Jones and the U.S. Congressional Black Caucus in 2006 and Congresswoman Marcia Fudge in 2009.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring Julian Rogers, a dedicated member of the Cuyahoga County Council.

CONGRATULATING THE BAY AREA
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Bay Area Community Foundation on obtaining their National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations accreditation from the Community Foundations Standards Board.

The Community Foundations National Standards Board was established as a supporting organization of the Council on Foundations, a nonprofit membership association of grant making foundations and corporations, to administer the National Standards. This board is responsible for upholding the quality, value, and integrity of the National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations, the first and only accreditation program of its kind.

In the United States, community foundations serve tens of thousands of donors, administer more than \$40 billion in charitable funds, and address the core concerns of more than 700 communities and regions. With such a presence—nationally and within local communities—comes responsibility.

Achieving confirmation and reconfirming compliance with National Standards is a rigorous process, guaranteeing that every community foundation that receives the designation has adhered to excellent philanthropic practice. This program requires community foundations to document their policies for governance, donor services, investments, grantmaking, community leadership, and administration.

The Bay Area Community Foundation of Bay City, Michigan has obtained its National Standards accreditation by demonstrating a commitment to operational quality, integrity, accountability, and adherence to the highest standards for grantmaking.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating the Bay Area Community Foundation on receiving its National Standards accreditation and in commending the foundation's dedicated service to Bay City and other communities in Michigan.

IN HONOR OF PERNEL JONES, JR.

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Pernel Jones, Jr., a member of the

Cuyahoga County Council serving the Eighth District.

Councilman Jones attended the Baltimore Polytechnic Institutes in 1989 and later received his Bachelor of Science from the University of Maryland in 1991. In 1992, he was named as a Licensed Funeral Director. He currently acts as the Director of Community Relations for the Pernel Jones and Sons Funeral Home which has been offering services to the Greater Cleveland area since 1973.

Councilman Jones was elected to the Cuyahoga County Council in 2010 and is the current Chair of the Public Works and Contracting Committee. He is a strong advocate of retaining jobs and promoting the creation of new jobs. He believes in promoting trust and confidence in the local government through effective and accountable leadership, and he intends to maintain the moral and legal obligations of the charter government, so that they may provide the best possible social service to the community at hand.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring Pernel Jones, Jr., a dedicated member of the Cuyahoga County Council.

NATIONAL OVARIAN CANCER
AWARENESS MONTH

HON. LOUISE McINTOSH SLAUGHTER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize September as National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month. This is an important time to raise awareness about the disease and its symptoms. In 2012, it is estimated that approximately 22,280 women will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer and 15,500 will die of the disease.

Ovarian cancer is the ninth most common cancer among women and the fifth leading cause of cancer-related deaths, making it the deadliest gynecologic cancer. If ovarian cancer is treated before it spreads outside the ovary, the five-year survival rate is 93 percent. Currently, only 15 percent of ovarian cancers are found at such an early stage and overall the five-year survival rate is 46 percent.

I urge my colleagues to help make women aware of the potential warning signs to prevent future deaths. Experts recommend that women see a gynecologist if they experience any of the often subtle symptoms of ovarian cancer daily for more than a few weeks. Four major symptoms of ovarian cancer include bloating, pelvic or abdominal pain, difficulty eating or feeling full quickly, and frequent or urgent need to urinate. I ask all of my colleagues to become familiar with these symptoms and to share the information with their friends, family, staff, and constituents.

Because no ovarian cancer screening or early detection test exists, organizations such as the Ovarian Cancer National Alliance stress that "until there's a test, awareness is best." I commend the Ovarian Cancer National Alliance for its steadfast commitment to make women aware of the risk factors, signs, and symptoms of ovarian cancer and for its advocacy on behalf of women and families touched by this devastating disease.

I also want to mention a few very important federal programs that are providing hope to

those with ovarian cancer. The National Cancer Institute, NCI, at the National Institutes of Health does crucial research work in all areas of cancer, including ovarian cancer. These efforts will hopefully one day lead to breakthroughs that reduce ovarian cancer incidence, mortality, and morbidity. NCI has more than 550 active research projects on ovarian cancer in its cancer research portfolio.

Another important program is the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Ovarian Cancer Control Initiative. This initiative works to coordinate and fund health activities working toward early detection and improved treatment options. CDC also plays a critical role in disseminating information about ovarian cancer risk factors, signs, and symptoms to women, health professionals, and the public. It is imperative that these programs continue to receive adequate funding in order to perform basic research and then translate that research into results for women with or at risk for this terrible disease.

I encourage all Members of Congress and staff to join me this month in bringing greater awareness to ovarian cancer and to help educate the women in your life about the risk factors, signs, and symptoms of ovarian cancer. Together we can help save lives from ovarian cancer.

IN HONOR OF C. ELLEN CONNALLY

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of C. Ellen Connally, a member of the Cuyahoga County Council serving the Ninth District.

Councilwoman Connally graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from Bowling Green State University, a master's degree and Juris Doctorate from Cleveland State University, and is a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Akron. She has served as a Visiting and Adjunct Professor at the University of Akron College of Law and is a former President of the Board of Trustees of Bowling Green State University.

Before representing the Ninth District of Cuyahoga County, Councilwoman Connally was a law clerk in the Eighth District Court of Appeals in Ohio, a Magistrate in the Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court, Probate Division, and was subsequently elected to the Cleveland Municipal Court. She served the court as Judge for 24 years. She was the first female, African-American Democrat elected to the Bench in Ohio and the first to be elected without first being appointed. In addition to her position as Judge, Councilwoman Connally has also served as a Special Prosecutor for the City of Cleveland and Foreman of the Cuyahoga County General Jury.

Councilwoman Connally was elected to the Cuyahoga County Council in 2010. She is the current President of the Cuyahoga County Council. She shares her time representing the Ninth District with other various roles in her community, including serving as President of the Board of Trustees of the Breast Cancer Fund of Ohio and the Vice President of the Board of Community Action Against Addiction.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring C. Ellen Connally, President of the

Cuyahoga County Council, who is dedicated to serving the citizens of Cuyahoga County.

COMMENDING NEW PROVIDENCE HIGH SCHOOL ON BEING NAMED TOP PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL IN NEW JERSEY

LEONARD LANCE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. LANCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend New Providence High School on being named the top public high school in New Jersey by New Jersey Monthly Magazine. This is an accomplishment of which the school and the community should be very proud.

New Providence High School has been a model of success. It has been continually ranked among the top public schools in the state for its high test scores and curriculum. New Providence High School has excelled in nearly every major aspect of students' education with fine teachers and a supportive staff. New Providence High School was named a 2011 National Blue Ribbon School by the Department of Education. This is the highest honor a school can receive in the Nation.

New Providence High School has truly executed the school district's motto "Dedicated to Excellence." I congratulate the students, faculty members, parents and members of the community for these outstanding distinctions.

IN HONOR OF JACK H. SCHRON, JR.

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Jack H. Schron, Jr., a member of the Cuyahoga County Council serving the Sixth District.

Councilman Schron graduated in 1970 from Florida Southern College with a Bachelor of Science degree and received his Juris Doctorate in 1975 from Ohio Northern University. Following his licensure to practice law in both Ohio and Florida, Councilman Schron served in the United States Army legal corps, from which he retired as a Lieutenant Colonel after 28 years of service.

In addition to his military service, the Councilman has also acted as President and Chief Executive Officer of Jergens, Inc. for over 25 years while also co-founding Tooling University—an internet education business. In addition to his professional career, Schron served a twelve year tenure on the Chagrin Falls Board of Education and was a member of the Clean Ohio Council, the Manufacturing Advocacy and Growth Network, and Wire-net—an economic development organization that works to serve manufacturing businesses in the Cleveland, Ohio area.

Elected to the Cuyahoga County Council in 2010, Councilman Schron is Chair of the Economic Development and Planning Committee.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring Jack Schron, a dedicated member of the Cuyahoga County Council.

ON THE TRAGIC SIKH TEMPLE SHOOTING

HON. AL GREEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I would like to stand in solidarity with the families as well as the victims of the Sikh Temple shooting in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, which took place on Sunday, August 5, 2012.

Six people were killed and four wounded, including a police officer, in this horrific violence as people sought to peacefully worship with family and neighbors in their sanctuary. Observation and practice of one's religion should be inviolate, but on that fateful Sunday, it was so heinously violated.

While what causes someone to do such a dastardly deed will remain a mystery to all, faith will console where reason cannot. We can find some solace in the heroism displayed by those in the line of fire, who as ordinary citizens and first-responders risked their lives and limbs to protect others.

The shooter, blinded by ignorance and hate, underestimated the strength and resolve of the Sikh community. Upon hearing of the shooting, Sikh congregations around the country dedicated their services to the victims of the shooting. The Sikh community will overcome this tragedy and we as a country will support them because what impacts them directly impacts all indirectly.

IN HONOR OF CHARLES M. GERMANA

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Charles M. "Chuck" Germana, a member of the Cuyahoga County Council serving the Fourth District.

In 1971, Councilman Germana began a career as an Independent Insurance Agent with the Four Star Insurance Agency in Parma, Ohio and has continued his work with the agency since then. He has been a 32-year Board member, Treasurer, and two-time President of the Parma Area Chamber of Commerce. He has been an active member of the Northeast Ohio City Council Association having served as a Board member, Treasurer, Vice President and President. He is also actively involved in the Parma Hospital Health Care Foundation.

Since being elected to the Cuyahoga County Council in 2010, Councilman Germana has been named the Chair of the Intergovernmental Relations and Collaboration Committee and has advocated for a charter government that inspires confidence in the electorate through an open, ethical, transparent and fair manner of holding all meetings and transactions.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring Chuck Germana, a dedicated member of the Cuyahoga County Council.

WVOW RADIO 60 YEARS OF SERVICE IN LOGAN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

HON. NICK J. RAHALL II

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. RAHALL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the work of a local radio station in the heart of the coalfields of southern West Virginia. This year, WVOW Radio celebrates 60 years of excellence in journalism and service to the greater Logan County area and beyond.

In 1954, Mr. Bill Becker, an attorney, and his lovely wife, Mrs. Martha Jane Becker, an educator, took on the management of a struggling two-year old AM radio station in Logan County. Not only did they take on the management of the station, but they put their heart and soul into the daily operation of this station, often adding their personal touches to the programming, advertisements, and live-remotes. In fact, many of my constituents can fondly recall WVOW's annual Christmas programming, "Santa Claus", in which Bill and Martha Jane added their very own personal touch.

You see, in rural West Virginia, our local media, especially local radio, play a critical role in our communities. Yes, they are known for their music, sports, and commercials, but more importantly, and maybe less noticed, is the invaluable service this station has provided to its listeners in literally saving lives.

For instance, when an earthen dam broke in the Buffalo Creek area of Logan County in February of 1972, WVOW was the first to warn nearby residents to evacuate their homes immediately, undoubtedly saving countless lives from the wake of destruction that loomed near. Also, during this summer's widespread derecho and heat wave that swept through my Congressional District, WVOW was a victim of the mass power outages that we all experienced. However, they knew they had the obligation to their listeners to get back on the air and pass along critical, potentially life-saving, information. Through their hard work and sheer determination, the station was able to get back on the air and provide the much needed information to their audiences.

While these are just two examples of the essential role WVOW has played in our communities through their history, there are countless other stories of how, through news coverage and public service announcements, they have kept citizens informed and helped raise public consciousness on a variety of quality of life issues.

In an era where mega media corporations are chasing the all-mighty dollar, WVOW has remained steadfast to Bill and Martha Jane Becker's philosophy—first aired 60 years ago—a rock solid commitment to always serve their even-more-all-mighty listeners, first and foremost.

I ask that my colleagues join me today in wishing a Happy 60th Birthday to WVOW Radio in Logan, West Virginia, and to extend our best wishes to their dedicated and talented staff for 60 more productive and blessed years!

IN HONOR OF SUNNY M. SIMON

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Sunny M. Simon, a member of the Cuyahoga County Council serving the Eleventh District.

Councilwoman Simon earned her Bachelor of Science Degree with Honors from John Carroll University and her Juris Doctorate with Honors from the Case Western Reserve University School of Law. She owns a private law practice, is a member of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association as a part of the Family Law section, and has served as a volunteer magistrate for Juvenile Court in South Euclid.

Councilwoman Simon was elected to the South Euclid City Council in 1999 where she not only served on the Finance, Legislative, Safety, Public Utilities, Planning and Zoning Committees, but also served as Council President.

Now as a member of the Cuyahoga County Council, she is serving as the Vice-President of the Council and the Chair of the Justice Affairs Committee. Councilwoman Simon is a strong supporter of the development of community policing initiatives, of strong services for senior residents, and of conservation, sustainability, and smart land use initiatives. She is also the founder of the South Euclid Humane Society and the South Euclid dog park.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring Sunny Simon, a dedicated member of the Cuyahoga County Council.

IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

HON. DAN BURTON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing September as National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month. In 2012 alone, it is estimated that roughly 22,280 American women will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer; and 15,500 will die from this insidious disease. Because most women are diagnosed in later stages of the disease, ovarian cancer has the highest mortality rate of all types of gynecological cancer, and it is the fifth-leading cause of cancer death among women. In fact, the five year survival rate is only 45 percent—not much higher than when the War on Cancer was declared 41 years ago!

The word “cancer” evokes powerful emotions. Along with many of my colleagues, I know firsthand how devastating cancer can be to the individual who has been diagnosed as well as their family. Throughout September, all across the Nation, men and women will come together for events to both raise awareness of this terrible scourge and to show their support for the women and families struggling with this horrible disease. When September ends though, the fight against ovarian cancer will go on.

Without a reliable screening test, our greatest weapon against this disease is awareness.

If your mother, aunt, sister, wife or daughter experiences any of the following symptoms for more than a few weeks, strongly urge her to talk with her doctor or gynecologist immediately: bloating, pelvic or abdominal pain, difficulty eating or feeling full quickly, frequent or urgent need to urinate.

If everyone in this chamber learns and shares these symptoms with just one person, and asks that person to pass the information forward to just one other person; and so on, and so on; we can spare thousands of women and their families the extraordinary suffering that comes with a late-stage cancer diagnosis. The more women and health professionals know about the symptoms and risk factors associated with ovarian cancer the more lives that can be saved.

Our ultimate goal, however, should be the complete eradication of this disease. Research holds the key to identifying better treatments for ovarian cancer, as well as the development of a critically-needed screening test.

The Department of Defense Ovarian Cancer Research Program plays a key role in supporting unique ovarian cancer research and has already seen some breakthroughs in the fight against ovarian cancer. Adequate funding will allow the program to maintain current research and expand innovative investigations into much-needed early detection and screening or early detection tools.

The National Cancer Institute (NCI) at the National Institutes of Health does crucial research work in all areas of cancer, including ovarian cancer. These efforts will hopefully one day lead to breakthroughs that reduce ovarian cancer incidence, mortality, and morbidity. NCI has more than 550 active research projects on ovarian cancer in its cancer research portfolio. Additionally, NCI supports the Gynecologic Oncology Group, which promotes clinical and basic research, and four ovarian cancer Specialized Programs of Research Excellence, or SPOREs, to focus on translational research and turning scientific discoveries into applicable solutions or treatments.

Finally, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) Ovarian Cancer Control Initiative works to coordinate and fund health activities working toward early detection and improved treatment options. CDC also plays a critical role in disseminating information about ovarian cancer risk factors, signs, and symptoms to women, health professionals, and the public.

We owe it to the women in our lives to fund the research necessary to purge this threat of cancer entirely. I fully understand the financial challenges facing our country, but I believe it is imperative that these programs continue to receive adequate funding in order to perform basic research and then translate that research into results for women with or at-risk for this terrible disease.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing September as National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month; and to wear Teal—the official color for ovarian cancer, like pink is for breast cancer, throughout September to show your support.

IN HONOR OF YVONNE CONWELL

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Yvonne Conwell, a member of the Cuyahoga County Council serving the Seventh District.

Upon graduating from Cleveland State University, Councilwoman Conwell has spent her time serving others, especially families and children. She has served at Parmadale, an organization that provides support to at-risk children, including those that may be severely emotionally disturbed and with Jewish Family Services assisting those with diagnosed developmental disabilities. Professionally, Conwell has worked for Cleveland Healthcare for the Homeless (now known as Care Alliance), at Bridgeway, Inc. providing case management to fifty individuals facing mental and physical challenges, and at Oriana House helping coordinate services for individuals re-entering the community after incarceration. Councilwoman Conwell also served five years as the Director of Outreach for the Cuyahoga County Recorder’s office.

Together with her husband, Councilwoman Conwell donates much of her time to helping support local food drives and festivals whose admissions are food items for the needy, activities known as “Harvest for Hunger.” The Conwells have also established a charity of their own, “Operation Helping Hands of Greater Cleveland”—an organization with the mission of providing needy families with infant items, clothing, and financial support.

Now as a representative of the Seventh District of the Cuyahoga County Council, Councilwoman Conwell serves as the Chair of the Human Resources, Procurement, Appointments, and Equity Committee.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring Yvonne Conwell, a dedicated member of the Cuyahoga County Council.

HONORING NEA JAZZ MASTER
JIMMY HEATH**HON. JOHN CONYERS, JR.**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. CONYERS. Mr. Speaker, legendary jazz artist Jimmy Heath will be honored this year by the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, CBCF, at the Jazz Issue Forum and Concert that will take place during the 42nd Annual Legislative Conference, ALC. Mr. Heath will also perform at the concert, which will take place on Thursday, September 20, 2012, at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center, in Washington, DC. Mr. Heath will receive the 2012 CBCF ALC Jazz Legacy Award for his six decades of contributions to jazz and world culture.

The oldest living member of the Philadelphia-bred Heath Brothers jazz family (bassist Percy and drummer Albert); Jimmy Heath rose to prominence during the forties, as a member of the Howard McGhee Big Band. In 1948 at the age of 21, he performed in the First International Jazz Festival in Paris with McGhee,

sharing the stage with Coleman Hawkins, Slam Stewart, and Erroll Garner. One of the earliest of Mr. Heath's own big bands (1947–48) in Philadelphia included John Coltrane, Benny Golson, Specs Wright, Cal Massey, Johnny Coles, Ray Bryant, and Nelson Boyd. He also played with and composed for Dizzy Gillespie, Miles Davis, Kenny Dorham, Milt Jackson, and Art Blakey. During his career, Mr. Heath has performed on more than 100 record albums, including 7 with The Heath Brothers and 12 as a leader. He has also written more than 125 compositions, many of which have become jazz standards, including C.T.A., and Gingerbread Boy. He has minted over 20 critically acclaimed recordings, including Really Big!, Love and Understanding, New Picture, Little Man, Big Band, and Endurance.

Mr. Heath first worked as an educator with Jazzmobile, New York City's premier not-for-profit jazz program. In 1987, he was appointed Professor of Music at the Aaron Copland School of Music at Queens College, City University of New York. Professor Heath created the Jazz Program at Queens College, where he taught and mentored a generation of musicians, before retiring in 2004. He also taught jazz at Housatonic College and The New School for Social Research. In October 1997, two of Mr. Heath's former students, trumpeters Darren Barrett and Diego Urcola, placed first and second in the Thelonious Monk International Jazz Competition.

Mr. Heath is among the most honored of our nation's musicians. In 2003, he was presented with the prestigious National Endowment for the Arts, NEA, Jazz Master Award. He is the recipient of three honorary doctorates, including one from Julliard. He is the first jazz musician to be so honored by Julliard and has also received The Julliard Service to the Arts Centennial Award. He has received 3 Grammy Nominations, Howard University's Benny Golson Award and The Thelonious Monk Founder's Award among many other honors.

In 2010, he co-wrote *I Walked With Giants: The Autobiography of Jimmy Heath*, with Joseph McLaren (Temple University Press). Mr. Heath is still actively creative as a tenor and soprano saxophonist, composer and arranger.

Mr. Speaker, Jimmy Heath is a living jazz treasure and I urge all members to join me in commending him for his magnificent contribution to American and World culture.

IN HONOR OF MICHAEL
GALLAGHER

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Michael Gallagher, a member of the Cuyahoga County Council serving the Fifth District.

In 1999, Councilman Gallagher began his public service career as a member of Strongsville's City Council, a position he held for eleven years. During his time as a Strongsville Council member, he served on or chaired most of the council committees, served as a representative of the council to the Strongsville School Board and served as president for his final three years before his

2010 resignation. In 2009, he retired as Deputy Court Administrator of Ohio's Eighth District Court of Appeals in order to fulfill a campaign promise for his election to the Cuyahoga County Council.

Councilman Gallagher was elected to the Cuyahoga County Council in 2010 and is now the Chair of the Public Safety Committee.

Some of his achievements outside of public office include his membership in the Strongsville Rotary Club and Strongsville Chamber of Commerce. He has served as a Trustee on the Hospital Board of Southwest General Hospital for more than ten years and founded the Strongsville Youth Commission nine years ago. As a result of his dedication to his community, Councilman Gallagher was the recipient of the 2007 Franklin A. Polk Public Servants Award granted by the Cuyahoga County Bar Foundation.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring Councilman Michael Gallagher, a dedicated member of the Cuyahoga County Council.

HONORING JANE SMITH OF
ESSEXVILLE, MICHIGAN

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, on June 20, 2012 a dedicated public servant and civic leader, Jane Smith, passed away and it is fitting that we honor and recognize her public service and commitment.

Jane Smith's inspired leadership, vision and courage has been an immense inspiration to those who believe every human being is endowed with dignity. She spent more than 30 years working to ensure the well-being of our most vulnerable children as a child protective services worker for the State of Michigan. When Robert F. Kennedy was asked how his obituary should read, he responded that he hoped that he made a contribution that improved the world by lessening the suffering of children. For her entire adult life, on a daily basis, Jane Smith lessened the suffering of children. After she retired, Jane Smith continued her compassionate life and dedication. She volunteered on political campaigns, was an active member of the Bay County Democratic Party and in 2004 was appointed chair of the Bay County Department of Human Services Board. She also actively supported the Alice and Jack Wirt Library.

Jane Smith was born May 7, 1945 in Pontiac, Michigan. She graduated from Rochester High School in 1963 and Michigan State University in 1967. She is survived by her brothers, nephews nieces and great-nieces and nephews and her many friends who deeply miss her wit, opinion and stories.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring Jane Smith, a woman whose life was an inspiration to us all.

RECOGNIZING VIRGINIA
INDUSTRIES FOR THE BLIND

HON. ROBERT HURT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. HURT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Virginia Industries for the Blind, an Ability One organization that began in Charlottesville that empowers blind and visually impaired Virginians in achieving their maximum level of employment and career development.

With 19 locations throughout Virginia, the organization employs approximately 150 people, including over 100 whom are blind or visually impaired.

In May, I had the opportunity to witness firsthand the good work that Virginia Industries for the Blind does for our local communities. Virginia Industries for the Blind operates retail stores on military bases and in federal buildings throughout Virginia. From making the mattresses used by our heroes in the United States Navy to the reflective vests that hard-working Virginians depend on for safety, Virginia Industries for the Blind gives back to our community in more ways than one.

Today, I hope my colleagues will join me in commending Virginia Industries for the Blind for their service to our local communities.

IN HONOR OF BONADINE P.
"BONNIE" NGUYEN

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Bonadine P. "Bonnie" Nguyen who passed away on Thursday, August 16, 2012 at the age of 70 after battling an illness over the past three years. She is survived by her husband of 25 years, Le; her four sons Paul, Matthew, Andrew, and Jason; her brother, Richard; and her two sisters, Carol and Tina.

Bonnie was born on June 16, 1942 in Columbus, Ohio and lived there until moving to the Cleveland area where she spent the last 31 years of her life. She became a Licensed Practical Nurse, a profession she held for 34 years, and spent most of her career with the Century Oak Care Center in Berea, Ohio—a center that opened in 1987 as a response to an increased demand in quality nursing home facilities.

When not working, she enjoyed traveling with her mother and spending time with her children; attending weddings, picnics, and family get-togethers; dancing; and watching Cleveland Indians baseball.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring the life of Bonnie Nguyen.

SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL OVARIAN
CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

HON. C. W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize September as National

Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month and to urge my colleagues to use this time to raise awareness and help increase public knowledge about this deadly disease and its symptoms. In 2012, it is estimated that approximately 22,280 women in the United States will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer and 15,500 will die of the disease. In my state, Florida, an estimated 1,040 women will die from ovarian cancer this year. Too many American women—sisters, daughters, nieces, wives, friends, neighbors, and coworkers—are losing their lives to this disease.

Ovarian cancer is currently the ninth most common cancer among women and the fifth leading cause of cancer-related deaths, making it the deadliest of the gynecologic cancers. If ovarian cancer is treated before it has spread outside the ovary, the five-year survival rate is 93 percent. Currently, only 15 percent of ovarian cancers are found at such an early stage and overall the relative five-year survival rate is 46 percent. I urge Members of this House to help make women aware of the potential warning signs to prevent future deaths. This is especially vital because physicians acknowledge that symptoms can be vague and may be associated with other medical conditions.

Despite increased knowledge and treatments for many once-deadly cancers, ovarian cancer's risk factors, symptoms, and causes are not well understood. Experts recommend that women see a gynecologist if they experience any of the often subtle symptoms of ovarian cancer daily for more than a few weeks, these include bloating, difficulty eating, and pelvic or abdominal pain. I ask all of my colleagues to become familiar with the symptoms and to share the information with their friends, family, staff, and constituents.

Research also holds the key to identifying better treatments for ovarian cancer, as well as the development of a screening test. That is why as Chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense I have made it an annual priority to assist in funding the highly successful Department of Defense Ovarian Cancer Research Program. For nearly two decades now this program has played a key role in supporting unique ovarian cancer research and has already seen some breakthroughs in the fight against ovarian cancer. Continued federal funding will allow the program to maintain current research and expand innovative investigations into much-needed early detection tools and screening.

As we continue our work on establishing funding priorities for the coming fiscal year, it is my hope that my colleagues remember the important work of the DoD Ovarian Cancer Research Program and other federal initiatives aimed at reducing ovarian cancer incidence and mortality. We must all work together to bring greater awareness to ovarian cancer and help educate the women in our life about the risk factors, signs, and symptoms of this devastating disease.

MADISON COUNTY BICENTENNIAL

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 200th birthday of my home county,

Madison County, Illinois. Situated in southwestern Illinois, Madison County is one of the fastest growing and most diverse counties in Illinois. Whether it is the suburban hustle and bustle of Collinsville and Godfrey, the rural small-town atmosphere of Grantfork and Alhambra, the industrial might of Granite City and Wood River, the farming communities around St. Jacob and Worden, the university neighborhoods of Edwardsville, the historic charm of Alton and Highland, or the new and expanding developments in Maryville and Bethalto, Madison County has something for everyone.

Madison County is proud of its history, and optimistic about its future. Our county has produced towering figures of history, literally and figuratively: being home to Robert Wadlow, the world's tallest man, as well as the great Senator Paul Simon, jazz legend Miles Davis, and the abolitionist publisher Elijah Lovejoy. Our county was founded by Swiss, Italian, Hungarian, and Lithuanian immigrants. They farmed, mined, and worked in mills. Governor Ninian Edwards—for whom Edwardsville is named—chose President James Madison as our county's namesake.

On behalf of the more than a quarter-million proud residents of Madison County, I invite you to visit and see the National Great Rivers Museum in Alton, our many historic Route 66 sites, the Piasa Bird outside Alton, and the Lewis and Clark Historic Site. The fine, hard-working men and women of all walks of life who make our communities and our county an excellent place to live, work and raise a family welcome you.

I congratulate County Board President Alan Dunstan, and my many other friends and neighbors in Madison County on celebrating the bicentennial. May our home county continue to grow and prosper for another 200 years and beyond.

HAZARDOUS WASTE ELECTRONIC MANIFEST ESTABLISHMENT ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. GENE GREEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 11, 2012

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong support of S. 710, the Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest Establishment Act.

As the Ranking Member of the House Environment and Economy Subcommittee, I have long advocated for the establishment of an e-manifest system.

I am pleased that not only our subcommittee produced legislation to create this important system but that we did so in a bipartisan manner.

It's not very often that we in the House not only agree on a product but that it also has support from both industry and the environmental groups.

That is why it is so important to that my colleagues support this bill today.

The benefits of an electronic manifest are obvious—ranging from reduced paperwork and administrative burdens to the millions of dollars that such a system could save.

More importantly, though, with this e-manifest system we will ensure that hazardous

wastes is successfully tracked and managed from generation to its final destination.

This is a good bill and I look forward to passing it and urge my colleagues to support it.

HONORING PETER PALMER FOR A LIFETIME OF DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVICE

HON. LEONARD LANCE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. LANCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend Peter Palmer of Bernardsville, New Jersey, for his lifetime of public service. Peter was born and raised in Bernardsville, where he lives to this day. Peter has been in public service since a young age and has remained an active servant throughout his life.

Peter joined the U.S. Signal Corps as a young man and was honorably discharged as First Lieutenant. Peter began his time in public office in 1962 when he was elected to the school board. He served two full terms and was elected to the Bernardsville Borough Council where he served for sixteen years. He quickly formed a reputation of honesty and integrity. He became Mayor and served a distinguished decade of accomplishment. He joined the Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders where he has served a county-wide constituency. In 2011, Peter received the high honor of being named "Freeholder of the Year" by the New Jersey Association of Counties. The group noted his leadership and ability.

I know Peter personally and I have seen his fine work firsthand. I join Peter's spouse, Kathleen, and his friends and colleagues in congratulating him on his of tenure selfless public service to Bernardsville, Somerset County and the State of New Jersey.

NASHVILLE SOFTBALL

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to salute the achievements of the Nashville Hornettes softball team, which earlier this month brought home its second state championship.

The Hornettes put together a stellar 35–4 season this year, swept through the regional and the sectional, and knocked off two of the state's top teams at the state finals in order to claim the title. I want to congratulate Coach Dempsey Witte, who led this team to the title in only his second year as head coach, as well as his assistants: Wayne Harre, Charlie Heck, Bethany Hinkle and Jordan Farris. I especially want to extend my congratulations to the members of the 2012 Hornettes state championship softball team who worked so hard all year to achieve this goal: Alana Czajkowski, Emily Thompson, Mollie Borowiak, Jordi Harre, Lauren O'Daniell, Hannah Yung, Nellie Snead, Nicole Deering, Kiley Pelker, Abbi Liske, Daley Buchanan, Briah Winchester, Maci Ingram and Shaye Harre.

These student-athletes, and their coaches, have represented themselves, their school and their community in a first-rate fashion, and I join with the other Members of this House in congratulating them, and wishing them all the best in their future academic and athletic endeavors.

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK OLYMPIC
CHAMPIONS

HON. LOUISE McINTOSH SLAUGHTER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate a group of Olympic champions from my home area of Rochester. All Rochesterians—and Americans—are incredibly proud of these dedicated athletes who have trained to be the best and who achieved their dreams at the XXX Olympic Games in London.

Abby Wambach led the United States Women's Soccer team to their third straight Olympic gold medal. Abby grew up in Rochester, NY where she played soccer and basketball at Our Lady of Mercy High School, and was named to Parade Magazine's high school All-America team. She attended the University of Florida, where she was a first-team All American and led her team to the Final Four in her senior season. In 2001, Abby joined the Women's National Team and played in her first Olympic games in Athens in 2004, contributing four goals and one assist to the gold-medal effort for Team USA. She missed the 2008 games in Beijing because of a broken leg sustained in a collision in the final match before the Olympics. Abby was back with a vengeance in 2012, however, and scored a goal in every game leading up to the final match where the USA was victorious in dramatic fashion.

Jenn Suhr soared to a hard-fought Olympic gold in the Pole Vault. Jenn was born in Fredonia, NY and was a multi-sport athlete at Fredonia High School, playing softball, basketball, soccer, and track and field. As a senior in high school in 2000, Jenn won the New York State pentathlon. She then went on to Roberts Wesleyan College in Rochester and focused her athletic energy on basketball and track and field. Not only did she take her basketball team to the NCCAA national championship game and become the team's all-time leading scorer in basketball with 1,819 points, but she also graduated with a degree in psychology and began a graduate degree in school psychology. Jenn did not even begin working on her pole vaulting skills until 2004, but she quickly proved her excellence in the sport. She was an Olympic silver medalist in 2008 in Beijing, and fought her way to the gold medal in London.

Meghan Musnicki was one of the women's eight team who rowed to their second straight Olympic gold in London. Meghan was born in Naples, NY and attended Canandaigua Academy for high school, where she played soccer and basketball. She first picked up an oar as a freshman in college at St. Lawrence University in 2001. Later Meghan transferred to Ithaca College, where she helped row her team to NCAA Championships in 2004 and 2005, including an undefeated season in

2004. Meghan graduated from Ithaca College with a degree in psychology. She was first selected to the U.S. National Rowing Team in 2010, after narrowly missing a chance at the Olympics in 2008, and was part of two World Championship eight boat teams prior to winning the gold in her first Olympic games in 2012.

Ryan Lochte swam to five medals in the 2012 Olympics, adding two golds, two silvers and a bronze to bring his total to 11 medals over three Olympic games. Ryan was born in Rochester, NY and attended school in Canandaigua before his family moved to Florida, where his father coached swimming. He was a 7-time NCAA Champion while swimming for the University of Florida and was named an NCAA All-American twenty-four times. Even more laudable than Ryan's athletic achievements is his commitment to raising awareness for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, a neuromuscular illness to which Ryan lost a family member. He has helped Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy "Go for the Gold" by raising money for research projects towards finding a cure for the disease.

Henrik Rummel rowed with his team to a bronze medal in men's four race of the 2012 London Olympics. Born in Denmark, Rummel moved to Pittsford, NY with his family in 2000 and attended Pittsford Mendon High School. Previously a basketball player and a skier, Henrik began rowing on the Pittsford Crew Team in 2001. He made his first national team just three years later in 2004. Henrik was recruited to Harvard, where he studied applied mathematics and economics while rowing for one of the most renowned crew teams in the country. He swept the Harvard-Yale regatta in 2008 and 2009 and won gold in the pair with coxswain at the 2009 World Rowing Championships. Henrik's bronze medal with the men's four came in his first Olympics games.

Jason Turner competed in sport shooting events in London for the third time as an Olympian. Jason is originally from Rush, NY and graduated from McQuaid Jesuit High School. At just 12 years old, Jason began shooting competitively in 1987, and was named to the 2004 Olympic team in the free pistol and 10m air pistol events. He won a bronze medal in the 10-meter Air Pistol at the 2008 Olympics in Beijing. In London, Jason finished 34th with a score of 569 in the qualifying round.

Kara Lynn Joyce spent time in both Irondequoit and Webster, NY as she grew up, and still holds two school records in Webster. She attended the University of Georgia where she was an All-American three years in a row, and became the first female swimmer to win the 50-meter, 100-meter and 200-meter freestyle events. The London Olympics were also the third for Kara, who earned a pair of silver medals in the 2004 Olympics in Athens, and two more silvers in the 2008 Olympics in Beijing. Kara competed in the 50m free in London, and after finishing her heat tied with two other swimmers for sixteenth and final semifinal spot, treated fans to an exciting swim-off that was won by the host country's swimmer.

Jim Boeheim, best known to Western New Yorkers as the Hall of Fame coach of the Syracuse University men's basketball team, traveled to London to coach in his second Olympic games as an assistant coach for the USA Basketball team. Jim is a native of Lyons, NY and graduated from Lyons Central High

School before attending Syracuse University where he attained a degree in social science. His remarkable career as a college basketball coach, which includes 34 consecutive years at one school—and the record for most career wins at one school—has now been enriched by leading the U.S. men's basketball team to two gold medals.

Gloria Peek made history in London as an assistant coach for the first-ever women's boxing event at the Olympics. Making history was nothing new for Gloria, a native of Geneva, NY and a former counselor for juvenile delinquents in Rochester, who was banned from amateur boxing in the 1970's for being a woman. She founded the Montgomery Boxing Club in the basement of the West Avenue Methodist Church in Fairport, NY in 1988 to keep young people off the streets, and she helped them finish school, apply to college and find jobs. At the 2012 Olympic games, Gloria helped coach the three women who qualified for the U.S. boxing team, including Claressa Shields, the first woman—and only member of the 2012 U.S. boxing team—to win Olympic gold.

Mr. Speaker, I am extremely proud of these men and women who dedicated themselves to excellence, and took advantage of the opportunity of the Olympic games to showcase to the world what Rochester can do. I look forward to following their future careers, as well as those of all the young Rochesterians that they have undoubtedly inspired to pursue dreams of their own.

HIGHLAND 175TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize the 175th birthday of the great city of Highland, Illinois. Originally settled in 1831 by the Swiss immigrant Koepfli family, and named Helvetia, or New Switzerland, Highland got its name five years later when a local man, General Joseph Semple, commented that the area reminded him of his native Scotland. A year after that, in 1837, Highland was formally chartered as a city. The town still retains its connection to Switzerland, partnering with the Koepfli's home in Switzerland, Sursee, as a Sister City since the 1970s, and hosting numerous festivals each year honoring the Swiss and German roots of the community.

Highland was the home of Louis Latzer, also known as the Father of Pet Milk, because he was the man who perfected the process of condensing milk, thereby making milk, and its myriad health benefits, available to large numbers of people. Mr. Latzer's homestead and museum remain open today in Highland for visitors.

Today, Highland is home to 9,919 people, the Highland Bulldogs, and many fine civic clubs, churches, and businesses, large and small. In September, the city will celebrate the 175th Jubilee, a three-day celebration of Highland's proud past, while looking toward a bright future.

I want to congratulate Mayor Joe Michaelis and Lynn Hargus, President of the Highland Historical Society, along with their staffs and

volunteers, for all of their hard work organizing this fall's Jubilee. I especially want to salute all the hard-working citizens of Highland, past and present, who have made the community such a great place to live and work. I am proud to represent such an outstanding community, and I want to wish them another 175 years of success.

RECOGNIZING CARONDELET
VILLAGE

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize the August 23, 2012 ritual celebration of the new Carondelet Village in Saint Paul, Minnesota, a shared vision of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet and Presbyterian Homes and Services to raise the standard for older adult living in this community.

The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet have long used their faith to forge relationships to promote the common good throughout our community. They understand that working for the good of all requires all elements of the human condition to be addressed. This is the idea that guided the Carondelet Village project—designing a community where all aspects of the lives of seniors could be nurtured and strengthened. They found an excellent partner in Presbyterian Homes and Services.

Presbyterian Homes and Services has been addressing the housing and health needs of the senior community in Minnesota since 1946. Striving to do more than just meet housing needs, Presbyterian Homes also works continuously to improve the quality of its buildings and the care it provides for the older adult community. Seeing a need for senior living in Saint Paul, it drew upon decades of experience to address it. With the Sisters of St. Joseph, Presbyterian Homes posed the question of how to attend to the needs of seniors as a whole, rather than merely providing a place to live.

When the Sisters of St. Joseph and Presbyterian Homes came together, they created a community that respects diversity and provides a space for spiritual development in order to enrich the lives of residents and their families.

The Carondelet Village is a place that enables residents to reach their highest potential. At the heart of the Village is the embodiment of this vision—the Carondelet Circle—a community space where residents can work on their art, faith, health or just grab a cup of coffee.

Neighbors met the Sisters of St. Joseph and Presbyterian Home plan with praise and intense interest. Before ground was even broken, seniors began placing reservations. By the time the doors opened in December of 2011, the Village was nearly at full occupancy.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Carondelet Village and the successful efforts of the Sisters of St. Joseph and Presbyterian Homes in providing needed housing and a supportive community for older residents of Minnesota.

A TRIBUTE TO DON TOLLEFSON

HON. ROBERT A. BRADY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Don Tollefson for his years of dedicated journalism in the city of Philadelphia. For almost 40 years, Don Tollefson has represented the essence of sports in the Delaware Valley.

Moving to Philadelphia in 1975, Don Tollefson held the position of Sportscaster and Sports Director for Channel 6 News. Don is most notably known for his years of service at Fox 29. Don was the co-host of Good Day Philadelphia for several years and also hosted a variety of sports-related programs including The Ray Rhoades Show and Eagles Game Day Live. More recently, Don has reported preseason games and halftime shows for the Philadelphia Eagles and co-hosts the show Eagles Game Plan.

Don Tollefson's contributions to the area stretch further than his journalism. Don is the creator of a non-profit motivational program, One Child Saved, that brings together athletes, entertainers and people in the television industry to talk to disadvantaged children. One Child Saved teaches under-privileged kids the importance of anti-hatred and anti-violence, while motivating the children to pursue careers.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage my colleagues to join me in honoring Don Tollefson and thanking him for his years of service and dedication to the city of Philadelphia.

GOREVILLE BLACKCATS

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the achievements of a state championship softball team from Goreville, Illinois.

After a number of successful seasons, including a close call last year, the Goreville Blackcats finally reached the IHSA softball state finals this year. But they did more than just show up: the Blackcats swept through the semifinals and finals without allowing their opponents to score a single run, en route to the program's first state championship.

I want to extend my congratulations to Coach Shanna Massey, who also won her 100th career game this year, and her assistant coach Teresa Cash. But I especially want to congratulate the members of the 2012 Goreville Blackcats state championship team: Ashlee Webb, Sydnee Rushing, Taylor Odom, Laenya Maze, McKenzie Schaeede, Shelby Miller, Alison Webb, Haley Darnell, Hannah Murley, Britney Pritchett, Micaela Allred, Kaylee Webb and Tiffani Shadowens. They have made history for their school and made their community proud.

I join with the other Members of this House in congratulating to the Blackcats, and wishing them best of luck in all their academic and athletic endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO MAJOR GENERAL
PHILLIP E. MCGHEE'S 33 YEARS
OF SERVICE TO OUR NATION

HON. C. W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Major General Phillip E. McGhee, for his extraordinary dedication to duty and service to the United States of America. Major General Phillip E. McGhee will retire as the Director of the Army Budget. His service spans over thirty-three years active military duty of which he served selflessly dedicated, extra-ordinary effort both peacetime and combat to the United States Army.

Commissioned a second lieutenant in the Infantry in 1979, after his graduation from Columbus State University with a bachelor's degree in Business, Major General McGhee went to his first assignment as an Infantry Platoon leader with the 2nd Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment, 9th Infantry Division at Fort Lewis, Washington. Following his transfer into the Finance Corps, Major General McGhee has served around the world in a wide variety of finance and comptroller leadership assignments throughout his illustrious career culminating as the Director of the Army Budget at the Department of the Army, Washington, DC, responsible for the Army's \$245 billion current budget.

Major General McGhee has been decorated with the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, and the Senior Parachutist Badge, just to name a few.

The United States Army and the Nation will dearly miss one of its most respected and valued leaders as Major General Phillip E. McGhee retires and moves back into his role as a citizen. We will miss his humility, selflessness, candor and integrity. Major General Phillip E. McGhee's exemplary leadership and selfless devotion to duty has touched fully three generations of Soldiers and their Families and will be greatly missed.

Mr. Speaker, it has been a pleasure to recognize Major General McGhee's long and distinguished career today and also acknowledge the great benefit to the Nation he has provided as the Director of the Army Budget. On behalf of a grateful Nation, I join my colleagues today in recognizing and commending Major General McGhee for a lifetime of service to his country. For all he and his family have given and continue to give to our country, we are in their debt. We wish him, his wife Candy, their son Shawn and his wife, Stacey, and his two granddaughters, Hailey and Aiden, all the best as they continue on in their life's journey.

YOU HAVE NO IDEA

HON. WILLIAM L. OWENS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. OWENS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to submit the following work that was offered to me on behalf of Marine Corporal Jessie Kent Fletcher, a constituent and wounded warrior who honorably served our country in Afghanistan.

YOU HAVE NO IDEA

You!
 You have no idea!
 What kind of magnificent men so appear!
 Who so wear that uniform, whose fine hearts
 will not so break or bend!
 All in their most heroic shades of green, who
 upon them we all now so depend!
 Yea, you have no idea!
 Of what kind of fighting machines!
 Are all of these here, The United States Ma-
 rines!
 Jager!
 Who do so courageously appear, and move all
 out into that darkness all without such
 fear!
 Yea, you have no idea!
 How much they so love this country tis of
 thee,
 and how much they do so truly believe!
 For in life, each person but has their own
 destiny . . .
 To give up, or to lead! To inspire you and
 me!
 To so set their sights ever higher, all in what
 they want to be!
 Yea, you have no idea!
 And what kind of magnificent families,
 that they all so have at home who they must
 now all so leave!
 You have no idea!
 How heroes are so made!
 Magnificent men like JFK,
 who go so boldly forth all out into harm's
 way!
 From this Empire State,
 New York . . . Jessie . . . whose heart is so
 very Gotham this very day!
 Snipers, all so setting their sights high on
 victory,
 hunters who All In Strength In Honor Do So
 All Believe!
 Lone wolves out on the hunt,
 who move without being seen!
 Watch out enemy! Hunt It! Hunt It!
 For today is judgement day . . .
 And now its time for you to sleep! To pay!
 Who can make a shot from a mile away in
 enemy country,
 you would not believe!
 You, have no idea how they will fight to be
 free!
 With nerves of steel,
 and patience and concentration so very deep!
 Yea, you have no idea . . .
 of what their fine souls are so made up of so
 very deep down!
 As melding into that landscape as they so
 disappear,
 as all out there on their own,
 all out on their most courageous ways van-
 ishing into the air . . .
 Yea, you have no idea . . .
 how much self control that it all so takes
 . . .
 How much stealth and patience,
 while an enemy but stands just a few feet
 away . . .
 For Snipers are not so made, but born to be
 great!
 For it is something that which inside is so
 innate!
 With such instincts that which so help them
 to live on . . .
 night after night, and day after day . . .
 Setting their sights on victory, as they cali-
 brate . . .
 As so stealth fully they all so make their
 ways!
 The ones who for an eternity will ever so
 wait,
 just to get that shot made!
 As it was on one such fateful day,
 when death almost came Jessie's way . . .
 When, it so took all that he so had . . .
 but to just so live but one more day!
 And yes, you have no idea of all of that
 heartache that it so takes!

When, you so realize that you have so lost
 your strong legs . . .
 And what it so takes,
 to somehow to begin each new day . . .
 Yea, you have no idea!
 Of the kind of pain and heartache,
 that Jessie has so faced!
 And the amount courage and faith that it all
 so takes,
 you would so amaze!
 While, against all odds . . . Maximus . . .
 Oh yes you Jessie just like a God you would
 not so fade!
 Setting your sights on recovery,
 as we so watched you and so realized how fu-
 ture angels are so made!
 As you never ran out of ammo,
 as your fine heart would somehow reload!
 To take your soul to higher places for all us
 to behold!
 While, all around you heartache would so ex-
 plose!
 Yea you have no idea!
 How much it takes and how many tears!
 But, The Angels up in heaven . . .
 all of this can so see and feel!
 And our Lord's tears for you Jessie . . .
 are all so very real!
 Because, he has some idea!
 Because, he's been with you from the begin-
 ning so very close!
 When, you got that second shot at life!
 Between, the cross hairs of life and death
 . . .
 when your will to live so meant the most!
 As you Jessie so set your sights on life!
 As with your courage and all of your
 strength,
 all of us you have so blessed!
 Teaching us all what the word hero so
 means!
 And if ever I had a son!
 I'd pray that he'd have a heart,
 as half as great as your strong one!
 Yea, Jessie I have no idea . . .
 as to how and to what new heights your fine
 heart will so run!
 And how upon your face,
 I so see a smile as bright as the morning sun!
 But, one day up in Heaven Jessie you will so
 run . . .
 As thy will be done!
 And Jessie,
 how you find the strength and the courage, I
 have no idea!
 As I so see your sights are so set on Heaven,
 so very quite clear!

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF
SARASOTA COUNTY

HON. VERN BUCHANAN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. BUCHANAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate the Community Foundation of Sarasota County on obtaining accreditation from the Community Foundations National Standards Board.

The Community Foundations National Standards Board was established as a supporting organization of the Council on Foundations, a nonprofit membership association of grantmaking foundations and corporations, to administer the National Standards. This board is responsible for upholding the quality, value, and integrity of the National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations, the first and only accreditation of its kind.

In the United States, community foundations serve tens of thousands, administer more than

\$40 billion in charitable funds, and address the core concerns of more than 700 communities and regions. With such a presence—nationally and within local communities—comes great responsibility.

Achieving confirmation and reconfirming compliance with National Standards is a rigorous process, guaranteeing that every community foundation that receives the designation has adhered to excellent philanthropic practice. This program requires community foundations to document their policies for governance, donor services, investments, grantmaking, community leadership, and administration.

The Community Foundation of Sarasota County obtained its National Standards accreditation by demonstrating a commitment to operations quality, integrity, accountability, and adherence to the highest standards for grantmaking. For over 32 years, they have been making the important connection between individuals' personal memories, passions, dreams and the fulfillment of their charitable goals.

Oh behalf of the residents of Sarasota, I congratulate the Community Foundation of Sarasota County on receiving its National Standards accreditation and commend the foundation's dedicated service to Sarasota. I would also like to recognize its exceptional efforts to enrich our community. We hope to see the foundation continue to grow and have a lasting impact for our community.

TRIBUTE TO MAJOR GENERAL
ROBERT J. KASULKE'S 32 YEARS
OF SERVICE TO OUR NATION

HON. C. W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Major General Robert J. Kasulke, for his extraordinary dedication to duty and service to the United States of America. Major General Robert J. Kasulke will retire as the Commanding General of the Army Reserve Medical Command (ARMEDCOM) on October 1, 2012. His military service spans over thirty-two years of dedicated selfless service to the United States Army Reserve.

Major General Kasulke is a graduate of Fordham University where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology in 1971 and earned a Masters in Public Administration from the Syracuse University Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Administration in 1996. He earned his degree in Medicine in 1975 and received a direct commission in the Medical Corps in 1980 following graduation from the State University of New York, Syracuse, College of Medicine while completing a Fellowship in Vascular Surgery.

Major General Kasulke has served in the U.S. Army Reserve since 1980 and held assignments as General Surgeon, 5503d U.S. Army Hospital, 912th Combat Support Hospital and Chief of Surgery of the 376th Combat Support Hospital. He commanded Detachments 1, 2 and 3 of the 310th Field Hospital and the 865th Combat Support Hospital. He was appointed as the Commander of the 8th Medical Brigade in May 2001. From March of 2005 through March of 2009 he served as the

Deputy Surgeon for Mobilization, Readiness and Reserve Affairs.

While serving as the Commander of the 8th Medical Brigade, Major General Kasulke was selected to the Army Reserve Forces Policy Committee in Washington DC, and to the General Officer Medical Advisory Committee. Through these two prestigious committees, Major General Kasulke became the voice of the medical profession for the 77th Regional Support Command and the United States Army Reserve at the beginning of the Global War on Terrorism.

Major General Kasulke instituted a highly successful Innovative Readiness Training program in support of an American Indian program named: Walking Shield American Indian Society. Operation Walking Shield deployed military doctors, dentists, nurses, and other medical personnel to various American Indian reservations to help address the serious health challenges that existed in those austere areas in five states over a period of five years. The soldiers deploying to these sites returned with enhanced skills in their medical field and with the knowledge they have served their nation in a unique and meaningful way.

Major General Kasulke was also instrumental in creating a partnership with Kings County Medical Center, New York for a trauma training program which included the Jacobi Medical Center, New York. These partnerships proved to be an invaluable asset for training medical personnel for the type of trauma injuries those medical Soldiers would see within a combat theater of operations. The partnership augmented medical readiness of medical Army Reserve soldiers, and improved the training readiness of hundreds of medical personnel in the United States Army Reserve.

While serving as the Deputy Surgeon General for Mobilization, Readiness and Reserve Affairs, Major General Kasulke was the Senior United States Army Reserve Medical Department Officer acting as the representative and advisor to the Army Surgeon General. During his tenure he was instrumental in improving the joint medical readiness of the United States Army Reserve and National Guard. Major General Kasulke influenced and enhanced Army Reserve medical unit readiness by developing and increasing the number of joint medical exercises which sought to build and develop clinical training programs for Reserve clinicians. Furthermore, he improved support to the Surgeon General by building a United States Army Reserve Medical Consultant Staff, which was the first ever for the Surgeon General's office.

Major General Kasulke's career is culminating with his assignment as the Commander of the Army Reserve Medical Command, at the C. W. Bill Young Armed Forces Reserve Center in Pinellas Park, Florida. Here, Major General Kasulke was the driving force for the Reserve Component Soldier Medical Support Center. This program coupled with the Medical Management Activity rapidly evaluates permanent profiles of Soldiers across the Army Reserve. Under Major General Kasulke's stewardship, over 3,300 medically not ready profiles were reviewed resulting in a cost savings of over \$88 million, and directly returning over 1,500 Soldiers back to duty. The Medical Management Activity also downgraded approximately 3,500 profiles which equates to \$120 million in cost savings returning Soldiers back to their formations in a ready and deployable status.

In his civilian career, Major General Kasulke is a board certified vascular surgeon. He is also board certified in general surgery and quality assurance. He is certified in medical regulating and HIV medicine. He is also a founding member of the American Hospice Organization. He authored or co-authored several articles or chapters in numerous books and periodicals. He also serves as Assistant Editor for *The Federal Practitioner* and *The Journal of Military Medicine for Vascular and General Surgery*. Major General Kasulke serves as Chair, Director, or member for over seven community, county, or regional boards of directors. He also serves on five military associations and was most recently elected to serve as President for the Congress of the International Organization of Medical Reservists.

The Army Medical Department, the United States Army, and the Nation will dearly miss one of its most respected and valued leaders as Major General Robert J. Kasulke retires. We will miss his humility, selflessness, candor and integrity. Major General Robert J. Kasulke's exemplary leadership and selfless devotion to duty has touched fully over three generations of Soldiers and their Families.

On behalf of a grateful Nation, I join my colleagues today in recognizing and commending Major General Robert J. Kasulke for a lifetime of service to his country. For all he and his family have given and continue to give to our country, we are in their debt. We wish him, his wife Catherine, daughter Kristen, and son Stephen, all the best in his retirement.

NORTH KOREA REFUGEE
ADOPTION ACT OF 2011

SPEECH OF

HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 11, 2012

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Speaker, as a co-sponsor of H.R. 1464, the North Korea Refugee Adoption Act of 2011, I rise to thank Mr. Royce and Ranking Member Berman for bringing this important bipartisan bill to the floor on September 11, 2012.

This bill was introduced to assist North Korean children living "stateless" outside of that country who face starvation and neglect because they are neither North Korean citizens nor citizens of the country where they currently reside. There are many American families who would love to give a home to these orphans and refugee children if they could. This legislation will help make that process easier.

The bill encourages the Homeland and State Departments to develop strategies to help reunite North Korean refugee children with their families or to facilitate the adoption of the children by citizens of South Korea, China or other countries. Many of these children have Chinese fathers and North Korean mothers but are not claimed by either parent, and being stateless, don't have access to the resources of either country. This bill will help provide for their immediate care and begin the process of getting them settled.

I am proud to support this bill and ask my colleagues to join me.

LOCAL OLYMPIANS

HON. MICHAEL F. DOYLE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. DOYLE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate and recognize the Pittsburghers who competed in the 2012 London Olympic Games.

We are proud in Pittsburgh to be a city of champions with deep-rooted team spirit and winning traditions. These Olympians have reached the pinnacle of accomplishment in their sports, and today I would like to salute their unyielding pursuit of excellence. These hometown heroes embody the ambition, resilience, courage, and dogged work ethic that the people of Western Pennsylvania deeply admire. I would like to individually recognize each of these outstanding athletes.

Cassidy Krug attended Montour High School and Stanford University, where she was unbeaten in diving dual meet competitions. The NCAA champion, three time All-American, and 10-time national champion was coached by both of her parents—her father, the head diving coach at the University of Pittsburgh and her mother, a coach at the Pitt Aquatic Club team. She briefly retired before making a comeback to compete in diving in London, coming in 7th in the women's 3m springboard. She now plans to pursue a career in writing.

Trevor Barron of Bethel Park, a race-walking prodigy, studies computer science at Colorado College. He started suffering seizures from epilepsy at age 8 and underwent multiple brain surgeries to overcome them. Thankfully, he is now seizure-free, and throughout the trying episodes, Barron exhibited an extraordinary zeal to achieve greatness. Barron won the U.S. National Junior Olympics every year from 2003 to 2006. He set the American record in the men's 20,000 meter race-walk at the 2012 Olympic trials. He finished 26th in London setting an American record in the event.

Allison Schmitt, two-time Olympian and six-time Olympic medalist hails from the city of Pittsburgh. She took bronze in the 4x200 meter freestyle relay at her Olympic debut in Beijing. This time around she swam the anchor leg in two relays bringing home the bronze in the 4x100 meter freestyle relay and the gold in the 4x100 meter medley relay. She also won silver in the 400 meter freestyle and gold in the 200 meter freestyle. Schmitt, known for her fun-loving nature and infectious positive attitude, is headed back to the University of Georgia for her senior year.

Swin Cash of McKeesport helped the U.S. basketball team to its fifth straight gold medal at the Olympics. The team is on a 41-game winning streak in the Olympics, usually winning by nearly 30 point margins. Cash played basketball for UConn, leading the Huskies to National Championships in 2000 and 2002, when she was named the Most Outstanding Player of the Final Four. The second pick in the 2002 WNBA draft, she was selected by the Detroit Shock, and led the team to its first WNBA Championship the following year. This is her second gold at the Olympics, as she also played on the 2004 U.S. team in Athens. Cash has graciously given back to the community in McKeesport through her charity "Cash for Kids" which uses sports and cultural

activities to encourage kids to “get in the game” on and off the court.

Jake Herbert graduated from North Allegheny High School in Pittsburgh. The two-time NCAA Champion studied communications at Northwestern University, where he was the best wrestler in the school’s history. Herbert posted a perfect 34–0 record in his final season and a 149–4 career record, the fifth best percentage in NCAA history. He was a recipient of college wrestling’s top honor, the Hodge Trophy. Herbert went on to win silver at the 2009 World Championships and to compete at the London Olympics, where he just missed out in the repechage on a shot at the bronze medal match. This fierce competitor sported a hefty fan club of about 65 friends and family members waving terrible towels in the crowd.

Amanda Polk grew up in Pittsburgh and graduated from Oakland Catholic High School, where she first began rowing. She studied biochemistry at the University of Notre Dame where she was part of the first NCAA team bid in the team’s history and was a four time All-American. Polk took silver in the four at the 2009 World Championships, then won gold in the eight in 2010 and 2011. She recently won gold and set a world best time in the women’s eight at the 2012 World Rowing Cup in Lucerne. Polk has consistently been a strong part of the eight that is dominating women’s rowing and she was an alternate in London. Unbeaten since 2006, the women were golden again in London, successfully defending their title from Beijing and solidifying what Polk’s teammate, Susan Francia, has rightfully dubbed an “American Dynasty.”

Lauren Crandall grew up in Doylestown, PA and went to school in North Allegheny. She was first named to the U.S. National field hockey team when she was a sophomore at Wake Forest. In 2006, Crandall was named the ACC Tournament Most Valuable Player. A veteran of the international field hockey scene, she has 173 international caps, or tournament appearances, which is the second most on the team. Now a two-time Olympian, she helped the team to an 8th place finish in Beijing and captained Team USA in London to come in 12th place. Crandall is going to DeVry University to pursue a master’s degree in public administration with a concentration on non-profit organizations.

Christa Harmotto was originally recruited to play volleyball from a 6th grade gym class. She went on to play at Hopewell High School and then at Penn State where she studied education. She and her team won national titles in 2007 and 2008 and she ended her career with a .433 career hitting percentage, the second best in NCAA history. Harmotto played basketball abroad professionally, where she sharpened her skills gearing up for the Games and now she has a silver medal from the London Olympics indoor volleyball competition to show for it. She plans to continue playing and training for Rio in 2016.

Lauryn Williams, a track and field star, was born in Pittsburgh. Williams studied finance at the University of Miami, where she was the 2004 NCAA Champion at the 100 meter. A three-time World Champion, Williams took home the silver medal in the 100 meter at the 2004 Games and came in fourth in the event in 2008. She competed in the 4x100 meter relay in Beijing but an incomplete pass of the baton put the team out of medal contention. In London, Williams ran the anchor leg of the

women’s 4x100 meter in the qualification round, and the team went on to win gold in event. Williams aims to finish 100 meter races in under 11 seconds. Every time she goes “sub 11,” she has pledged to give out a \$1000 scholarship to a female athlete in her senior year of high school. The 2006 Visa Humanitarian of the Year, she is deeply invested in her community as part of USA Track and Field’s “Be a Champion” community outreach, through volunteering with hearing impaired elementary school students, and through her female athlete scholarship fund.

I applaud all of these extraordinary athletes for their unbreakable spirits, their indomitable will to win, and their thrilling achievements. Training involves serious sacrifices. These athletes put in the work day in and day out, then they put it all on the line on the world stage with gutsy performances full of heart. I want to commend their family and friends who have supported their Olympic dreams and helped them keep striving to be stronger, get faster, and reach farther. And to these Olympians, I want to wish you a hearty congratulations and I want you to know that we in Pittsburgh are proud of yinz!

OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize September as National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month. Too many American women—sisters, daughters, nieces, wives, friends, neighbors, and coworkers—are losing their lives to this disease. This year alone, more than 20,000 women will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer and more than 15,000 will die of the disease.

Ovarian cancer is the ninth most common cancer among women, and the deadliest of gynecologic cancers. If ovarian cancer is treated before it spreads, the five-year survival rate is 93 percent. But, because there is no ovarian cancer screening or early detection test, many women won’t learn their diagnosis until the odds are against them.

We must do everything we can to make women aware of the risk factors, signs, and symptoms of ovarian cancer before it is too late. Doctors recommend that women see a gynecologist if they experience any of the symptoms of ovarian cancer daily for more than a few weeks. We must all become familiar with the early symptoms and share this information.

I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting investments in medical research. We must ensure that the National Institutes of Health, the National Cancer Institute, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, are receiving the funding they need to put an end to ovarian cancer. Investments in medical research will lead to breakthroughs in screening, early detection, and treatment.

Today, I stand with the ovarian cancer community in their efforts to increase awareness of the symptoms, boost federal funding for ovarian cancer awareness, and expand federal research to improve treatments and develop a desperately needed screening or early detection test.

Please join me in recognizing September as National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month to increase public knowledge about this deadly disease and save lives.

TRIBUTE TO COLONEL CORLISS GADSDEN’S 29 YEARS OF SERVICE TO OUR NATION

HON. C. W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Colonel Corliss Gadsden, for her extraordinary dedication to duty and service to the United States of America. Colonel Corliss Gadsden will retire as the Army Reserve Medical Command’s Operations Officer (G–3) on October 1, 2012. Her service spans over twenty-nine years of military duty to the United States Army Reserve.

Colonel Corliss Gadsden has served her country with integrity, dedication, and visionary leadership for over 29 years. She has constantly and consistently achieved and surpassed every mission assigned to her. During the early days of the Global War on Terrorism, while assigned as the United States Army Reserve Europe Medical Plans Officer, she was responsible for activating three medical units to support the European Regional Medical Command resulting in the right mix of medical professionals deploying to hostile environments to ensure the highest quality medical care for deployed United States service members.

Ever conscious of maintaining the operational posture of Army Reserve Soldiers’ she focused and honed in on the medical and Soldier skills. In 2002, she was responsible for increasing the United States Army Reserve Force Projection footprint to support the ever-growing Overseas Deployment Training missions from 400 Soldiers to over 1,000 Soldiers. During 2003 and 2004 she led the efforts to deploy over 800 individual healthcare providers in support of OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, and OPERATION JOINT GUARDIAN while sourcing medical units for all active operations in United States Central Command, European Command, and the continental United States based support missions.

In 2006, while serving in the United States Army Reserve Command’s Surgeon Office as the Chief, Medical Plans and Operations her planning was critical in maintaining the continuity of operations while transitioning from the ten Regional Readiness Commands to four Regional Support Commands and simultaneously maintaining the United States Army Reserve Command’s medical operations in light of the ongoing base realignment and closure mission. She planned, coordinated, and conducted quarterly synchronization meetings ensuring the prioritized, timely, and maximized use of the Individual Ready Reserve and Individual Mobilization Augmentation Soldiers in support of global Overseas Contingency Operations.

In 2007 she was recognized by the Commanding General of the Army Reserve and Secretary of the Army for her herculean efforts in the mobilization and deployment of thousands of Army Reserve Soldiers. Colonel

Gadsden, partnered with the Department of the Army G-3 and the United States Army Medical Command in developing the blueprint for the Warrior Transition Units and led the initial staffing efforts which proved to be instrumental in the care and transition of our wounded warriors returning home from the Global War on Terror.

Colonel Gadsden's selfless service and commitment to her Soldiers has distinguished her among her peers. She was instrumental in transforming the Army Reserve Medical Commands from a strategic force to an operational force. As the interim Chief of Staff for Western Regional Medical Command she expanded the command from a six-state region to a 20-state region in less than one year while ensuring the continuity of care for over 358,000 beneficiaries. As the Army Reserve Medical Command's G-3 she led the staff through a deliberate and comprehensive mission analysis which resulted in trained and ready medical units to support the Combatant Commands and enhance continental U.S. based mobilization platforms with a stable medical support plan. Colonel Gadsden's contributions to the Army have been immense.

On behalf of a grateful Nation, I join my colleagues today in recognizing and commending Colonel Corliss Gadsden for a lifetime of service to her country. For all she and her family have given and continue to give to our country, we are in their debt. We wish her all the best in her well-deserved retirement.

CONGRATULATING THE SAGINAW
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Saginaw Community Foundation on obtaining their National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations accreditation from the Community Foundations Standards Board.

The Community Foundations National Standards Board was established as a supporting organization of the Council on Foundations, a nonprofit membership association of grant making foundations and corporations, to administer the National Standards. This board is responsible for upholding the quality, value, and integrity of the National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations, the first and only accreditation program of its kind.

In the United States, community foundations serve tens of thousands of donors, administer more than \$40 billion in charitable funds, and address the core concerns of more than 700 communities and regions. With such a presence—nationally and within local communities—comes responsibility.

Achieving confirmation and reconfirming compliance with National Standards is a rigorous process, guaranteeing that every community foundation that receives the designation has adhered to excellent philanthropic practice. This program requires community foundations to document their policies for governance, donor services, investments, grantmaking, community leadership, and administration.

The Saginaw Community Foundation of Saginaw, Michigan has obtained its National

Standards accreditation by demonstrating a commitment to operational quality, integrity, accountability, and adherence to the highest standards for grantmaking.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating the Saginaw Community Foundation on receiving its National Standards accreditation and in commending the foundation's dedicated service to Saginaw and other communities in Michigan.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF
MILAGROS "MILLIE" MUNOZ

HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, it is with great sadness that I bring news to the U.S. Congress that, last month, on Monday, August 6, the South Florida community and the Munoz family lost a courageous and strong woman: Milagros "Millie" Munoz.

I have twice previously come to the floor to speak of Millie, and the debilitating disorder from which she suffered: Dystonia. Millie was a remarkable woman described by all who knew her as "the sweetest person," who was strong even in the face of the inescapable pains of dystonia. Through all of it—her pain; her rigorous physical therapy sessions—Millie always greeted everyone with that warm, unmistakable smile of hers.

As a Member of Congress, it is my duty to help call attention to, and raise awareness of disorders such as dystonia to the American public. Together we can work together and call for additional research, with the hope that one day a cure may be found.

Right now, dystonia is a virtually unknown condition that stems from major neurological diseases. It causes the involuntary spasm and contraction of muscles that robs those affected of the freedom to move. The condition is often misdiagnosed; Millie herself was often told by doctors that "it was all in her head." It was only until her friend and doctor, Cynthia Gonzalez, astutely recognized Millie's symptoms as dystonia, that her mind could be put at ease.

Millie's case stands as an example of why more Americans should be aware of dystonia; so that more can be done to prevent it and others like Millie don't have to suffer unnecessarily in the future. People should know her story so that Millie's courage in the face of adversity does not get forgotten.

Millie may be gone, but her courage and resilience will be her lasting legacy. All of our hearts are a little heavier this week in South Florida as we honor and remember Milagros "Millie" Munoz. We should not mourn the loss of a life, but rather celebrate the memory of a life lived.

Mr. Speaker, her passing is not the end, but the beginning of a new future; a future where others need not suffer from disorders like dystonia. And we here in Congress can help facilitate that future.

HONORING THE LEGACY OF LUIS
MARTINEZ

HON. JOSÉ E. SERRANO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. SERRANO. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to recognize Luis Martinez for his outstanding commitment and dedication to the Latino community in New York City and in Puerto Rico.

Luis Martinez was born in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Luis arrived in New York in 1954 and shortly thereafter enlisted in the United States Air Force, where he served our country honorably for 24 years. While Luis was in the service, as a non-commissioned officer, he played and participated in baseball tournaments throughout Puerto Rico, including in San Juan, Aguadilla, Bayamon, and Mayaguez. Luis also participated in All-Squad athletic competitions in Japan, Guam, California, North Carolina, and New Jersey.

Today, Luis is an active member of a variety of groups. He focuses many of his efforts in increasing sports participation in the Latino community. Luis is Vice President for Community Affairs for the Hispanic-American Sports Coalition, which was founded in 1992. The Hispanic-American Sports Coalition is an umbrella group for all sports activities within the Latino community. The group organizes tournaments for youth athletes in baseball, basketball, and soccer, in addition to conducting training for players, coaches, and league officials. One of the most notable, popular, and exciting events that the Hispanic-American Sports Coalition hosts is the Latino Little League World Series for 10–12 year olds, held in Red Hook, Brooklyn over a period of three days every Labor Day Weekend. This tournament has drawn the enthusiastic support of New York City Mayors, New York State Governors, and other public figures and distinguished personalities.

Luis is also a committee member of Latino Sports, Inc., as well as the Latino Sports Writers and Broadcasters Association. The latter group is responsible for annually selecting the most valuable Hispanic baseball players in the National and American Leagues. Luis is also the founder of the The Greater New York Cosmopolitan Amateur Baseball Association, Inc.

However, Luis is also an accomplished photojournalist for the weekly newspaper La Voz Hispana, the magazines *Discomundo* and *Espectaculos*, as well as the newspaper *Impacto*. Through his photography he has documented the day to day life of Puerto Ricans and Latinos in New York City, providing an unparalleled photographic history of one of the most vibrant communities in New York. Luis has also contributed to his community as president for 15 years of the Lower East Side Hispanic Committee, Inc. In recognition of all his work he was awarded the Ramon Emerito Betances Award from the National Puerto Rican Parade.

Mr. Speaker, Luis Martinez has made an outstanding contribution to his community. His extraordinary dedication and devotion in bringing athletic opportunities to youngsters is remarkable. His multifaceted background as a photojournalist, community leader, and sports enthusiast has enriched the lives of thousands of New Yorkers. Mr. Speaker, I ask that my

colleagues join me in recognizing a gifted individual, Luis "White Shoes" Martinez.

RECOGNIZING THE TRINKA DAVIS
VETERANS VILLAGE

HON. LYNN A. WESTMORELAND

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. WESTMORELAND. Mr. Speaker, I come to you today to recognize the grand opening of the Trinka Davis Veterans Village in Carrollton, Georgia on September 28, 2012. This is a momentous event for the 3rd district, and I am proud to help honor their great service to our nation's brave veterans.

The Trinka Davis Veterans Village would not have been possible without the \$17 million donation from the Trinka Davis Foundation. Ms. Katherine "Trinka" Rynne Davis was a Carroll County business leader who was profoundly impacted after learning of the difficulties our veterans and their families face on a daily basis. She founded the Trinka Davis Foundation on November 9, 2004 and focused the majority of the funding on improving the lives of our soldiers and healing the trauma from deployment in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Following her unexpected death, Ms. Davis left her entire estate to her foundation. Over \$25 million was left to aid our veterans and their families. In working with the Atlanta VA Medical center, the Foundation developed the concept of the Veterans Village to best serve the needs of our local veterans in rehabilitating injuries and problems faced upon coming home; such as loss of limbs, traumatic brain injuries, depression, PTSD, unemployment, and loss of homes.

The Trinka Davis Veterans Village has been built to serve as both a medical office and community living center for veterans across Georgia. Through regional research, the Foundation Board learned that veterans in the Bowden and Atlanta area needed a Community Based Outpatient Clinic and nursing facility in Carrollton, Georgia. Without the donations from the Trinka Davis Foundation, the construction and operation of the village would never have become a reality. The facility anticipates around 3,000 veterans in the area will use the primary care services, and with 42 beds, rehabilitation will be more accessible than before. The facility will have a family-centered approach to treatment and will let residents and family members of the village be more involved in their care. The Trinka Davis Veterans Village will also provide home-based care for patients who cannot travel to the clinic.

I would like to thank Trinka Davis, who I know is smiling down from above, her wonderful Foundation and the Atlanta VA for their hard work and donations to make the Veterans Village possible. The Trinka Davis Veterans Village is a great step in improving veteran care in our great state and helps us to give back to our veterans who have given everything so that we can live free.

CONGRATULATING EAST TENNESSEE FOUNDATION IN KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

HON. JOHN J. DUNCAN, JR.

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, today I wish to congratulate East Tennessee Foundation in Knoxville, Tennessee, on obtaining its National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations accreditation from the Community Foundations National Standards Board.

East Tennessee Foundation is headed by my longtime friend Michael McClamroch.

Mike is one of the hardest working and finest men I know, and I am very proud of his leadership of East Tennessee Foundation and all the great work it does for East Tennessee.

In the United States, community foundations serve tens of thousands of donors, administer more than \$40 billion in charitable funds, and address the core concerns of more than 700 communities and regions.

Achieving this accreditation is a rigorous process, demonstrating that East Tennessee Foundation has a commitment to the highest standards possible.

I want to again congratulate my friend, Mike McClamroch, and East Tennessee Foundation on receiving its National Standards accreditation and commend the foundation's dedicated service to East Tennessee.

IN HONOR OF LIEUTENANT
COLONEL BILL RHEA STARNES

HON. H. MORGAN GRIFFITH

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. GRIFFITH of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of myself and Representative PHIL ROE, I submit these remarks in honor of Lieutenant Colonel Bill Rhea Starnes, a veteran and distinguished pilot, who was prematurely taken from us on August 24, 2012.

As a member of both the United States Air Force and the Tennessee Army National Guard, Bill gallantly served our country for 39 years. At the ripe old age of 14, his love for aviation was first cultivated when his father taught him how to fly a plane. After graduating from East Tennessee State University, Bill continued his flight training at Fort Rucker in Alabama. Following flight school, Bill served in Vietnam, where he flew approximately 800 combat hours. In 2005 and 2006, he was deployed to Kosovo. Throughout his military career, Bill demonstrated the courage, fortitude, and wisdom that a nation prays for and a military dreams of having. He was the recipient of nearly 50 awards including the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal, and air medals with valor and army commendation.

Even down to his voicemail—"Hello, it's Bill. Learn as if you will live forever, and live as if you will die tomorrow."—Bill embodied a strong desire to live life to the fullest. Though he didn't reside in the Ninth District, I assure you, Bill was an active member of our community. As the chief pilot for K-VA-T Food Stores and Central Coal Company, he was even said

to be a "fixture" at the Virginia Highlands Airport.

A committed family man, a man who loved God and his country, and a friend of many, Bill will be greatly missed by his colleagues and those he served. My thoughts and prayers go out to his wife, Lisa; his two sons; his father; his family; and his friends.

Well known for his exceptional goodwill and dedication to the United States military and our community, I am honored to pay tribute to this man's many contributions. His legacy and influence will be long remembered throughout our region.

HONORING MEL BIRDWELL

HON. BILL FLORES

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. FLORES. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize and honor Mrs. Mel Birdwell, the wife of Texas State Senator Brian Birdwell. She has been one of the most active and visible spouses of a Hood County elected official on the local, state or national level.

For three years Mrs. Birdwell has served on the board of the Republican Women of Hood County. During this time she has assisted with expanding the party, as well as, securing copies of the Constitution and Declaration of Independence to give to every 5th grade student in every Hood County elementary school.

Mrs. Birdwell has served on the board of the Boys and Girls Club of Hood County where she had extensive positive influences for the children in our community.

One of Mrs. Birdwell's most significant accomplishments would be to that of her and Senator Birdwell's Face the Fire Ministry. This ministry assists burn survivors and wounded servicemen and women and their families. Mrs. Birdwell and her husband began this ministry after her husband's recovery from severe burns due to the 9/11 terrorist attack of the Pentagon. Because her husband's duties as Senator require much of his attention, Mel has single-handedly taken charge of the ministry.

Mrs. Birdwell is also a role model for wives and mothers everywhere in her loyalty to her husband. When presented by the military with a form for her signature which read "soldier's death imminent within 72 hours", Mrs. Birdwell fought for them to do whatever it takes to ensure the survival of her husband. Her never ending fight for his life and God's intervention is why we have Senator Birdwell with us today.

In 2002, Mrs. Birdwell was presented with the fourth annual Robertson McQuilkin Award for Commitment to Marriage by Family Life Ministries. In 2004, the Department of the Army recognized her 17 plus years of service to the Army family with the Outstanding Civilian Service Medal.

Today we recognize and honor Mrs. Mel Birdwell's devotion, dedication and loyalty to our Nation, our state, our county, and her family.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. GREGG HARPER

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. HARPER. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall Nos. 557 (H.R. 6122), 558 (H.R. 2139), 559 (H.R. 6186), 560 (H. Res. 773), 561 (H. Res. 773), and 562 (H.R. 4264) I am not recorded as I was detained in my district due to the death of Dr. Bill Causey, my first Pastor, and close friend. I was asked to speak at his funeral.

Had I been present, I would have voted "aye".

IN RECOGNITION OF ERIN DALY
AND THE BEGINNING FARMER
AND RANCHER DEVELOPMENT
PROGRAM TEAM FOR RECEIVING
THE 2012 USDA SECRETARY'S
HONOR AWARD

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, it is my great honor to extend a heartfelt congratulations to Ms. Erin Daly and the rest of the Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program team at the National Institute of Food and Agriculture for being selected to receive a 2012 U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary's Honor Award in the category of "assisting rural communities to create prosperity so they are self-sustaining, repopulating, and economically thriving." The team and its program leader, Dr. S. (Suresh) Sureshwaran, will be honored on September 12, 2012 at the Research, Education, and Economics (REE) Mission Area ceremony and the USDA 64th Annual Secretary's Honor Awards Ceremony, both in Washington, DC.

I am especially pleased because Erin has served as a Brookings Institution Legis Congressional Fellow in my Washington, DC. office since January of this year. She works on issues including agriculture, particularly as it pertains to the Farm Bill and authorization issues; environment; food safety and Food and Drug Administration issues; nutrition/hunger; HBCUs; immigration; and trade. Not only is Erin a great asset to my office, but she has also become a steadfast resource for my staff and the constituents of the Second Congressional District of Georgia. I have personally witnessed her hard work and dedication and I know this prestigious award recognizing exemplary leadership and public service is very well-deserved.

The Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program (BFRDP) was authorized in the 2008 Food, Conservation, and Energy Act and is administered by the National Institute for Food and Agriculture (NIFA) of the USDA. The purpose of the program is to assist farmer and rancher producers who have little or no farming experience and to provide the knowledge, skills, and tools they need to make informed decisions and improve their rate of success. As of 2010, more than 5,000 new and potential farmers had participated in BFRDP training events, including webinars, seminars, roundtable discussions, internships, mentorships, on-farm field days, etc.

In Georgia, BFRDP has awarded grants to the Development of Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers in Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi and South Carolina Program; the Cultivating Sustainable and Organic Beginning Farmers and Ranchers in Georgia Program; and the Urban Oasis Beginning Farmer Training Program. These grants have greatly assisted beginning farmers and ranchers in Georgia in obtaining the knowledge and skills necessary to manage a successful farm, improve their rural communities, and contribute to the local, state, and national economy.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the residents of Georgia's Second Congressional District and the members of my staff, I ask my colleagues to join me today in recognizing Erin Daly and the Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program team for their strong commitment and valuable contributions to beginning farmers and their rural communities. I am extremely proud of Erin and I know she will continue to do great things in my office and at USDA.

TRIBUTE TO COMMAND SERGEANT
MAJOR ROGER B. SCHULZ'S 36
YEARS OF SERVICE TO OUR NA-
TION

HON. C. W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Command Sergeant Major Roger B. Schulz, for his extraordinary dedication to duty and service to the United States of America. Command Sergeant Major Roger B. Schulz will retire as Command Sergeant Major and Senior Enlisted Advisor to the Army Reserve Medical Command on October 1, 2012. His service spans over thirty-six years of military duty to the United States Army Reserve.

Command Sergeant Major Schulz has served in numerous assignments throughout his career and participated in many operations, including OPERATION JACKFROST and OPERATION BRIMFROST conducted in Alaska, and OPERATION BRIGHT STAR conducted in Egypt. He supported OPERATION DESERT STORM while stationed at Fort McCoy, WI, and deployed to Baghdad in support of OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM.

Command Sergeant Major Schulz began his career as an Infantryman; serving for twelve years holding the positions of Rifleman through Platoon Sergeant. Following his time in the Infantry, Command Sergeant Major Schulz dedicated himself to the education of future Army leaders. He has served as an Instructor, Team Sergeant and Senior Instructor, 4th Army Light Fighter Academy; Brigade Operations Sergeant, 4th Brigade, 91st Division; Division Operations Sergeant, 91st Division; Battalion Operations Sergeant, Training Support Battalion, 104th Division; Chief of Operations, Primary Leader Development Course Manager and First Sergeant, U.S. Army Noncommissioned Officer's Academy; Deputy Commandant/Director of Instruction, U.S. Army Noncommissioned Officer's Academy; Installation Command Sergeant Major; Commandant, U.S. Army Noncommissioned Officer's Academy and Commander, 12th Bat-

talion, 6th Brigade, 104th Division; and Commander, Company A, United States Army Sergeants Major Academy.

In 2003, Command Sergeant Major Schulz was assigned to the 3rd Medical Command where he was instrumental in the development of two Army Medical Department accredited schools in Iraq. His career is culminating at the Army Reserve Medical Command, where he is responsible for the discipline, morale, welfare, and education of over 28,000 Soldiers. Through his guidance and leadership the command sustainment rate was over 91%. He initiated the first Sergeant Audi Murphy Board for the command and set the requirements for the continued success of the program.

The Army Medical Department, the United States Army, and the Nation will dearly miss one of its most respected and a valued leader as Command Sergeant Major Roger B. Schulz retires. We will miss his humility, selflessness, candor and integrity. Command Sergeant Major Roger B. Schulz's exemplary leadership and selfless devotion to duty has touched fully three generations of Soldiers and their Families.

On behalf of a grateful Nation, I join my colleagues today in recognizing Command Sergeant Major Roger B. Schulz for a lifetime of service to his country. For all he and his family have given and continue to give to our country; we are in their debt. We wish him and his wife, Command Sergeant Major Tommie Schulz, all the best in his retirement.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. GEORGE MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, on September 10, 2012, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted as follows: on rollcall vote No. 557, I would have voted "yea"; on rollcall vote No. 558, I would have voted "yea"; on rollcall vote No. 559, I would have voted "yea."

HONORING MRS. ALOYSIA FOUCHE

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Ms. LEE of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary career of Mrs. Aloysia Fouche, owner and CEO of Fouche's Hudson Funeral Home, Inc., as she is awarded a 2012 Living Legends of Funeral Service award from the One Hundred Black Women of Funeral Service Organization.

A trailblazer in the funeral business for nearly three decades, Mrs. Fouche transitioned into the funeral profession after the passing of her late husband and founder of the Funeral Home, Mr. Aramis Fouche. At a time when African-American women business owners were few and far between, Mrs. Fouche achieved her five-year business plan within two years. She brought greater financial solvency and extensive facility improvements to the business,

which continues to thrive today—in spite of a difficult economic climate.

Fouche's Hudson Funeral Home continues to be a source of pride in the Bay Area, serving our local African-American community with diligence and personalized care. A former educator, with a master's degree in Curriculum Development, Mrs. Fouche was also a fearless principal, as well as a celebrated teacher and instructor of media studies. Among her numerous accolades and associations, Mrs. Fouche was named Teacher of the Year, oversaw many of her students' award-winning animation films, and produced a weekly television program for parents to enhance their children's at-home learning.

In addition to her proud membership with the One Hundred Black Women of Funeral Service Organization, Mrs. Fouche is active in NFD&MA, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Friends of Father Augustine Tolton, and Phi Delta Kappa National Fraternity. Mrs. Fouche has also spent countless hours supporting and volunteering for local organizations aiding the underserved through food assistance, education scholarships, veterans services, faith ministries and AIDS awareness and prevention. She has also traveled the world extensively and counts tennis and dance among her hobbies.

As Fouche's Hudson Funeral Home management, staff and supporters look forward to its centennial anniversary in 2014, the receipt of Mrs. Fouche's Living Legends honor is timely and well-deserved. Thank you to all of the One Hundred Black Women of Funeral Service for being leaders in your communities and for providing families dignity, closure and excellent care.

On behalf of California's 9th Congressional District, Mrs. Aloysia Fouche, I salute you. Your many years of service have made an indelible mark in our community. Thank you for your continued work, and best wishes to you and your loved ones in the years to come.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE
PARALYMPIANS IN LONDON,
ENGLAND

HON. ALLEN B. WEST

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. WEST. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding achievements of a class of athletes whose stories embody the classic American values of perseverance and commitment to excellence.

I am speaking of the laudable Paralympians who represented our nation in the Paralympic Games in London.

There is perhaps no better event to remind us of the unwavering desire for greatness, inherent in every American, than the Paralympic Games. The Olympic Games in London have amplified the patriotic spirit that unites us as Americans and reminds us, with each American medal, of our grand fortune as citizens of this blessed country and our legacy of exceptionalism.

Paralympic athletes complement the narrative of our history by reinforcing the notion that determination and dedication trump any of the hurdles circumstance may send our way. Their remarkable achievements as

Paralympians alike shatter misconceptions that physical disability implies shortcoming of any kind. I am proud to stand alongside them and support them as emissaries of the United States.

Their rousing individual stories prove just as remarkable as the event itself. As a Member of the House of Representatives from south Florida, I am overjoyed to represent five inspiring Paralympians.

Justin Zook, a young man from Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, has quite the résumé. Justin competed on the United States Swim Team in the London Paralympics, and earned a gold medal in the men's 100 meter backstroke. In his special event, Justin has won a total of three gold medals in the 100 meter backstroke. He has set impressive world records in the 50 meter backstroke, 100 meter backstroke and 400 meter freestyle. He has represented Team USA for the past two Paralympic Games in the S10 division, winning gold and bronze medals at both appearances. Justin's record of excellence charges on, never affected by his disability.

In addition to his marked brilliance in the realm of swimming, Justin remains committed to his academics as he pursues an MBA in Sport Management at Florida Atlantic University and ultimately strives for the position of Athletics Director at an NCAA Division I institution. His focus and determination to excel in all aspects of life are qualities deserving of the utmost respect.

Paul Callahan, of Palm Beach, Florida competed in the Three-Person Keelboat Sonar sailing event along with two other team members, and came in seventh place. Paul currently serves as the Chief Executive Officer of "Sail to Prevail", a non-profit corporation whose mission dates back to 1982 and seeks to provide disabled children and adults with the opportunity to overcome adversity through therapeutic sailing. Paul's championing of "Sail to Prevail" is reflected in his own experience and story.

After an accident during his junior year at Harvard rendered Paul a C4–5 quadriplegic in 1979, he returned to school after years of therapy, obtained a degree from the prestigious Harvard Business School, and worked at Goldman Sachs for a number of years. Paul left Wall Street to join the team at "Sail for Prevail", where he learned to sail nearly 15 years after his accident and cultivated the sailing expertise and philosophy that would eventually lead him to become part of the United States Sailing Team in 1998, and a participant with the 2000 and 2012 Paralympic teams. Paul's dedication to providing the means and occasions for disabled individuals to sail alongside their able-bodied counterparts reflects his vision to create bigger and better opportunities for disabled athletes to counter the physical and psychological challenges that can sometimes come with disability. Among many other notable qualities, Paul's tenacity and love for his craft makes him a standout athlete and Paralympian.

Noah Yablong is a recent graduate of the University of Arizona with a degree in mechanical engineering from Ocean Ridge, Florida. Noah's immense talent qualified him to travel with Team USA to compete in the London Paralympics in the sport of wheelchair tennis. In the London Paralympics, Noah qualified to compete up to round 32 in the wheelchair men's tennis doubles, along with

his teammate Steve Baldwin. He also succeeded in making it to round 64 in the wheelchair men's singles. Noah's athletic endeavors, achieved in spite of the disease that limits his mobility, have provided him with opportunities of travel and sport that most American athletes can only imagine. Noah has visited five of the seven continents for tennis, and represented the United States in the World Team Cup three times.

Noah's story is a classic one that speaks to the American spirit of perseverance. A participant in every sport imaginable, Noah's athletic experiences before his diagnosis included basketball, baseball, soccer, tennis, golf, and swimming. At age ten, Noah was diagnosed with Legg Calve Perthes, a rare and degenerative hip disease that makes it exceedingly difficult for him to walk and run. A devoted athlete through and through, the thirty hours of weekly training Noah dedicates to his craft extinguishes the assumption that disabilities limit accomplishments, and ultimately dreams. Noah's story, like Paul's, is a testament to the power of hard work and proves inspirational to all Americans, regardless of background or circumstance.

A fourth example of athletic excellence is Brad Johnson, a member of the United States Paralympic Sailing Team three times over and a lawyer by trade. Never limited by the automobile accident that severed both of his legs, Brad began his career as a nationally-renowned athlete and Paralympian by participating in the national sit-volleyball team after graduating from law school. Brad's love for sailing was one that he cultivated relatively recently, illustrated by the fact that he took up the sport at the age of thirty. Nearly a decade and a half later, Brad has managed to collect a variety of medals and championships that distinguish him as truly one of the best in both sit-volleyball and sailing. Along with one of his teammates Paul Callahan, he placed seventh in the Three-Person Keelboat Sonar sailing event.

After Brad medaled at the 2004 Athens Paralympic Games in the sonar class of sailing, he returned to sit-volleyball and traveled to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil as part of the winning-U.S. Men's Sitting Volleyball Team in 2007. In 2010, Brad attended the Sitting Volleyball World Championships as a participant of Team USA, where the team placed tenth. As a practicing attorney and Paralympian residing in Pompano Beach, Florida, Brad maintains a full schedule, but always seeks to integrate his love for sport, determination in his career, and commitment to changing perceptions toward disability in his daily life. The versatility and activism with which Brad approaches his craft makes me proud to represent him.

Scott Danberg resides in Cooper City, Florida and represents one of the most recognized athletes in the Games. Scott competed in the past four consecutive Paralympic Games, which makes his appearance in London his fifth Paralympic Games. While there, he placed seventh in the men's discus throw. Over the 20-plus years that Scott has competed, he has garnered accolades in a variety of events as part of the U.S. Track and Field Team. His distinction in the events of javelin, shot put and powerlifting characterize Scott as an outstandingly talented athlete, which speaks to the discipline he shows in his personal life, as well as his competitive life.

Scott works as the Director of Fitness at Pritikin Longevity Center in Aventura, Florida, a company dedicated to promoting a holistic approach to health that focuses on nutrition, exercise and mind-body health. As a Master's of Kinesiology and a Ph.D. candidate in Leadership and Education, it is clear that Scott's true passion lies in his desire to harmonize all of his strengths, talents, by inspiring others to also achieve their dreams. Scott's lifestyle and achievements distinguish him as an exceptional Floridian and one that I am honored to represent. I enjoyed watching him compete in both the shot put and discus categories in the Games, and commend him for leading by example.

These great Paralympians are some of the best athletes that our country has to offer. Their will to succeed is not limited, but rather encouraged by the adversity they have faced. These men are defined by so much more than their disabilities. They are defined by their fearlessness, by their steadfast movement forward in pursuing bigger and better, by their medals, by their families and communities, by their hearts, and by the American spirit built in each of them.

Justin, Paul, Noah, Brad, and Scott set an example for men, women, and children in every way. During the 2012 Paralympic Games, they made all Americans and our Nation proud.

IN MEMORY OF FATHER BEITING

HON. HAROLD ROGERS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Reverend Monsignor Ralph Beiting, a compassionate, self-sacrificing man, who devoted his life to bettering the lives of those in eastern Kentucky. On August 9, 2012, Father Beiting joined his generous God in heaven at the age of 88 following a brief illness. His heart for the impoverished and his sincere generosity to those in need has touched the lives of others and he will be forever remembered in Appalachia and the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

After World War II, Father Beiting began serving the people of eastern Kentucky with countless social service programs. Born and raised in northern Kentucky, Father Beiting first traveled to Appalachia in 1946, encountering a new kind of poverty, one not seen even during the Great Depression. His compassion and sympathy for rural families developed then as he made it his mission to help the impoverished and needy of my region. In 1950, Beiting returned to eastern Kentucky to help launch a church, and although this committed Catholic Priest was not always welcomed with open arms, Beiting continued his work of never letting the poor go untended.

In 1957, Beiting launched a fully-integrated summer camp for boys from poor families in the counties where he ministered. By 1964, his ministry had developed into the Christian Appalachian Project, CAP, an interdenominational, non-profit organization that serves Kentucky's mountain residents. Today CAP stands as the 15th largest human services charity in the nation. A warehouse and thrift store in Louisa also bears Beiting's name. The Father

Beiting Appalachian Mission Center distributes food, clothing, furniture, and provides four local thrift stores with low-cost merchandise, in keeping with Beiting's spirit of meeting physical and human needs. In fact, Beiting spent much of his time personally delivering food, clothing and household goods to help the needy in eastern Kentucky.

Father Beiting's legacy of charity, love of Kentuckians, and volunteer efforts is an inspiration all across our region. Always sharing God's love with everyone he met, Beiting served as a bright light for thousands of Appalachian families in need. On behalf of my wife Cynthia and myself, I want to extend our deepest heartfelt sympathies to his family, friends, and those he served with in Appalachia. Our region will miss this great man.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the late Father Beiting, a true man of God, who dedicated a lifetime of service to bettering the lives of those in eastern Kentucky.

HONORING THE PETALUMA NATIONAL LITTLE LEAGUE ALL STARS

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to offer my heartfelt congratulations to the Petaluma National Little League All Stars for their amazing run in the 2012 Little League World Series. I couldn't be prouder of the way they represented our community and themselves.

Even though they fell short of the national championship, they distinguished themselves as one of the nation's and the world's best youth baseball teams. More than 6,500 teams from around the globe entered the tournament, and the boys from Petaluma finished second in the United States and third in the world. They played more games than any other team in the tournament, winning five and losing two. Even in their final loss to Tennessee, they showed fierce determination and a refusal to give up, rallying for a 10-run comeback to force the game into extra innings.

Bradley Smith led the way with an astounding .636 batting average, a tournament-leading 14 hits, a record-breaking 6 doubles and 11 RBI, as well as great fielding and pitching.

Hance Smith hit .429, leading the team with 4 home runs and knocking home more runs (12) than any other player in the Little League World Series.

Daniel Marzo hit .348 with a walk-off game-winning home run in extra innings against New Jersey, on top of his outstanding pitching.

Cole Tomei batted .333 with clutch hitting and dazzling third base defense that reminded many of Brooks Robinson.

Logan Douglas, who provided great all-around leadership and top-notch relief pitching, also had a .318 batting average, and his 11 runs scored were the second-highest in the tournament.

Catchers Austin Paretto and James O'Hanlon provided perfect handling of the pitching staff throughout the tournament, with

James contributing timely hits and Austin adding 8 runs scored in only 8 at-bats.

Dylan Moore, Blake Buhner and Kempton Brandis all contributed clutch performances, including Kempton's two home runs against Tennessee; Blake's big hit to spark a rally against New Jersey; and Dylan's overall solid work in the field, on the mound and at bat.

Porter Slate scored 8 runs out of the leadoff slot while playing stellar defense at second base.

Quinton Gago's home run against the Southwest would still be going if it hadn't hit the side of a hill. And his dominant pitching performance against Texas gave the team a huge lift.

Andrew White provided outstanding relief pitching, not just in the Little League World Series (where he earned the team's only save), but throughout District 35 and regional play.

Not enough can be said about the coaching staff, led by manager Eric Smith. He, pitching coach Trevor Tomei and assistant coach Mike Slate built a cohesive group that gasped and applied the fundamentals of the game. Their commitment to the team and the families was nothing short of remarkable. They didn't just teach the boys on-the-field skills; they instilled in them poise, determination and drive.

The Petaluma National Little League All Stars are talented ballplayers, but they also succeeded because of grit, hustle and desire. Most importantly, at every step along the way, they revealed themselves to be poised young men of strong character. They demonstrated sportsmanship in victory and in defeat. They were models of teamwork and discipline, qualities that will serve them well throughout their lives.

And they were backed up by a tight-knit community that couldn't have been more enthusiastic and supportive. There were generous fundraising efforts to allow family members to travel to Williamsport to see the games in person. There was hardly a movie theater, restaurant or bar in town that wasn't showing the games. Their effort was inspiring. It filled us with pride. What fun it was to see them have so much fun.

The Petaluma National Little League All-Stars exemplify what is best about youth sports. They have been true to the mission and values of Little League Baseball. Their performance on and off the field is a testament to their coaches, their parents and their teachers. These boys are unquestionably champions. They are America's future, giving us great confidence for our country. Today we honor and salute the Petaluma National Little League All-Stars.

RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER AS NATIONAL OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

HON. RAÚL M. GRIJALVA

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my support for women and families affected by ovarian cancer. In 2012, it is estimated that approximately 22,280 women will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer and 15,500 will die of the disease. In my state, Arizona,

an estimated 11,090 women will die from ovarian cancer this year. Too many American women—sisters, daughters, nieces, wives, friends, neighbors, and coworkers—are losing their lives to this disease.

Because ovarian cancer screening or early detection test do not currently exist, organizations stress that “until there’s a test, awareness is best.” I commend the Ovarian Cancer National Alliance for its steadfast commitment to make women aware of the risk factors, signs, and symptoms of ovarian cancer and for its advocacy on behalf of women and families touched by this devastating disease. I also would like to commend the Ovarian Cancer National Alliance’s Partner Member groups in Arizona.

Experts recommend that women see a gynecologist if they experience any of the often subtle symptoms of ovarian cancer daily for more than a few weeks. Four major symptoms of ovarian cancer include bloating, pelvic or abdominal pain, difficulty eating or feeling full quickly, and frequent or urgent need to urinate. I ask all of my colleagues to become familiar with these symptoms and to share the information with their friends, family, staff, and constituents.

Ovarian cancer is the ninth most common cancer among women and the fifth leading cause of cancer-related deaths, making it the deadliest of gynecologic cancers. If ovarian cancer is treated before it has spread outside the ovary, the five-year survival rate is 93 percent. Currently, only 15 percent of ovarian cancers are found at such an early stage and overall the relative five-year survival rate is 46 percent. I urge my colleagues to help make women aware of the potential warning signs to prevent future deaths. Experts acknowledge that symptoms can be vague and may be associated with other medical conditions, however, as the saying goes, it is better to be safe than sorry.

September is National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month—an important time during which ovarian cancer organizations, advocates, and others will be helping to raise awareness about the disease and its symptoms. Teal is the official color for ovarian cancer, like pink is for breast cancer. My staff and I will be wearing teal or teal ribbons to indicate our support of the ovarian cancer community and their efforts, including increasing awareness of the symptoms, boosting federal funding for ovarian cancer awareness, and expanding federal research to improve treatments and support the development of a desperately needed screening or early detection test.

I urge my colleagues and their staffs to join me in recognizing September as National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month and to join with us in wearing teal throughout September to increase public knowledge about this deadly disease.

HONORING CITY COUNCILMAN
GREG NORDBAK

HON. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Greg

Nordbak and his 18 years of public service to the people of Whittier, California. Greg and his wife Donna have called Whittier home since 1980, and they have been fixtures in Whittier civic life ever since.

Since beginning the first of his five terms on the Whittier City Council in 1994, Greg has worked tirelessly to ensure Whittier remains safe for its residents and economically vibrant for its business community. Under his tenure, Whittier has seen the creation of various city resources such as the Whittier Greenway Trail acquisition and development, the construction of the Parnel Park Community and Senior Center, a new Whittier Police Headquarters Building, Pio Pico State Historic Park Renovation, the Uptown Whittier Specific Plan, the Whittier Boulevard Specific Plan, and release of Fred C. Nelles property for development.

Over the years, Greg’s civic involvement has grown exponentially to include proudly serving as Chairman of the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority (WQA), as past president of the Gateway Cities Council of Governments, as a former Board Member of the Whittier Rio Hondo AIDS Project (WRHAP), as well as volunteering with the Boys and Girls Club of Whittier, the Skills Foundation, and the Rio Hondo Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Over the past decade, Greg has always worked to ensure that Whittier operates on firm financial footing and never outside its fiscal means. While the broader economy has impacted many cities throughout Southern California, Whittier has managed to maintain funding for all city services and capital improvement projects. Greg Nordbak is a big reason why Whittier can continue to deliver for its residents.

From one public servant to another, I praise Greg Nordbak and commend him on his many years of outstanding public service and dedication to the City of Whittier and the community. Whittier would not be the community it is today without him.

A TRIBUTE TO NEIL ARMSTRONG,
A TRUE AMERICAN HERO

HON. BILL POSEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. POSEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an American hero, Neil Alden Armstrong whose recent passing has impacted not only family members and those who were close to him, but also a nation that will forever salute his unforgettable step onto the surface of our moon.

Born August 5, 1930; Armstrong lifted off the runway for the first time at the age of two on a Ford Trimotor nicknamed “The Tin Goose.” As a young man, he found a passion in flying planes, becoming flight certified early in life at the age of fifteen. It is no surprise that he studied aerospace engineering at Purdue University as a member of the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps under the Holloway Plan.

After completing two years of college, Armstrong was ordered to enroll in flight training in Pensacola, Florida on the path to becoming an active duty Naval Aviator. Armstrong’s resolute character and bravery reached a new

pedestal after he was shot down in combat during the Korean War. He returned to Purdue University, graduated in 1955, and took an assignment to continue his Navy service at Edward’s Air Force Base, where he subsequently earned a masters degree in aeronautics. Soon after, he flew as a civilian pilot for NASA’s parent agency, the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA), in Cleveland, Ohio.

As a test pilot, Armstrong was exposed to innovative military aircraft, playing a central role in helping to refine and improve aeronautic technologies. Armstrong’s ascension as a strong leader was inevitable as respect for his reliable character and yet humble personality was recognized within the ranks of the military and space elite.

In 1958, after a successful tenure piloting aircraft as both a civilian and military airman, Armstrong was recruited into the Air Force’s “Man in Space Soonest,” division. He piloted some of the earliest aircraft to be engineered to breach the Earth’s atmosphere and outpace the speed of sound surpassing 4,000 miles per hour. This was a very exciting era in space innovation, which remains close to our hearts in Florida’s Space Coast, where many residents, including myself, were fortunate enough to be employed by NASA’s Apollo program in the late 1960’s.

Over the course of Armstrong’s career as an astronaut he logged thousands of hours in preparation for space travel. Relentless in the pursuit to harvest knowledge, he became a college professor after his retirement from NASA. Armstrong’s commitment to his work and his unwavering receptiveness of challenge after challenge set a precedent, hand in hand, complimenting the world-shadowing message of the American space revolution. He was not simply a man with a technical ability to fly, rather a renaissance example of humble character and passionate conviction for the advancement of humankind.

Those of us who were alive on July 20, 1969, will never forget what we felt as an American space pioneer, Neil Armstrong, stepped from the lunar module and was the first human to place foot on the moon. “That’s one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind” are a constant reminder of human achievement and American ingenuity and they serve as a constant reminder to that the seemingly impossible can be achieved.

An American icon has passed after eighty-two fulfilling years. Neil Armstrong’s chronicled achievements will be forever observed in history and he will never be forgotten as the father of lunar exploration. He was a wonderful human being, a true gentleman, honest, sincere, and seemingly unaffected by his many accomplishments and notoriety. He will continue to serve as a role model and an inspiration for generations to come.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE
OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA’S BE-
LOVED DR. WILLIAM “BILL”
MALOY

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and service of

Northwest Florida's beloved William "Bill" Maloy.

Dr. Maloy was born in Des Moines, Iowa and grew up in Omaha, Nebraska. During World War II, he answered the call of duty and served our Nation with honor and distinction in the United States Navy. He was awarded the Silver Star for his gallantry in action. After the war, Dr. Maloy attended the University of Nebraska where he earned a bachelor's and master's degree in education, while also being commissioned into the Naval Reserves. He was recalled to active duty during the Korean War and came to Pensacola, Florida, intending to pursue a naval career; however, Dr. Maloy soon realized that he had a true passion and aptitude for teaching, and after the end of the war, he dedicated himself to education.

Dr. Maloy began his teaching career in Northwest Florida as a teacher and assistant dean at Pensacola High School (PHS). After two years at PHS, Dr. Maloy moved to Tallahassee to pursue his doctorate degree in educational technology. This experience led Dr. Maloy to appreciate the important role that technology would play in education, and he proved to be a strong proponent of integrating technology into the curriculum throughout his career. After completing his doctorate in 1958, Dr. Maloy moved back to Pensacola to serve as Assistant Principal at Escambia High School.

In 1959, Dr. Maloy began working with the Florida Department of Education, helping to spearhead Florida's first efforts to utilize new technology as a teaching tool. During the Cuban Missile Crisis, Dr. Maloy again answered our nation's call and served as Executive Officer and subsequently Commanding Officer of the USS *Tweedie*, a *Butler*-class destroyer escort. After finishing his service, he accepted a position at Florida State University, where he became Assistant Dean of the College of Education. His expertise and dedication to education led him to serve as Education Advisor to two Florida governors, before becoming the Senior Civilian Advisor to the Chief of Naval Education and Training. In 1978, he was appointed to the Florida Board of Regents, the governing body for the State University System of Florida, and helped oversee the state's public universities.

In 1992, Dr. Maloy was elected as Superintendent of Schools in Escambia County. As Superintendent, he was credited with beginning the technological revolution in the school district, and he helped move the district to the forefront of instructional education technology adopting applications to help improve student experience and performance. In 1996, he retired as Superintendent and moved to the University of West Florida where he taught until his retirement in 2009.

Dr. Maloy was a loving and dedicated husband and father who instilled in his children the importance of education in helping to improve the lives of every child in America. Two of Dr. Maloy's sons went on to become educators, continuing the family legacy of promoting excellence in education. Family was everything to Dr. Maloy, and he was a true inspiration to his four children, fourteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

To some, Dr. Bill Maloy will be remembered as a world-class educator and innovator who saw the importance of technology in education and helped to implement it in the classroom.

To others, he will be remembered as a true patriot who served his country with honor and distinction in World War II and the Korean War. To his family, he will most fondly be remembered as a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. His contributions to education in Northwest Florida and throughout the entire State have improved the lives of countless students.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, it gives me great pride to honor the life and selfless service of Dr. William "Bill" Maloy. My wife Vicki joins me in extending our most sincere condolences to the entire Maloy family.

CELEBRATING THE ROCKLEDGE
JUNIOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
TEAM'S WORLD SERIES VICTORY

HON. BILL POSEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Mr. POSEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Rockledge Junior League Baseball team for winning the Junior League World Series championship at Heritage Park in Taylor, Michigan on August 18, 2012.

Thirty-two years after the Junior League Baseball World Series was established in 1981, Rockledge became the tenth Florida team to bring home a championship.

The team dominated across the state of Florida, with a record of 11–0. Rockledge continued forward to defeat five state champions from Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama. They traveled for 1,158 miles and 19 hours to Michigan with a record of 16–0 as the USA Southeast regional title holder, and triumphed to become the USA bracket leader. Only team Aruba, the international title holder, was standing between the ambitions of Rockledge team members, who were led by Manager David Clanton and Coaches Tom Hall and Robbie Robedeau.

The championship began with a quick 5–2 lead as Rockledge asserted its presence. Justin Robedeau, Kevin Clanton, Trevor Payne, Andrew Parrish, Mason Studstill, Blake Beyel, Brady Martello, Michael Hall, Gavin Spinneweber, and Jackson Parker each maintained their confidence while Aruba inched closer, shortening the gap 9–8 in the 6th inning.

The Rockledge All Stars kept their composure and brought home a 12–10 win in the 8th inning. Managed by an exceptional coaching staff, each teammate played a major role in winning the World Series title, with a final 22–0 post season record. We salute the Rockledge Junior League Baseball team for their success and the measure to which they represented our community and state.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily

Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, September 13, 2012 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED
SEPTEMBER 14

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

To receive a closed briefing on the situation in Syria.

SVC-217

2:30 p.m.

Indian Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Kevin K. Washburn, of New Mexico, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs.

SD-628

SEPTEMBER 19

9:30 a.m.

Energy and Natural Resources
Water and Power Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine S. 3265, to amend the Federal Power Act to remove the authority of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to collect land use fees for land that has been sold, exchanged, or otherwise transferred from Federal ownership but that is subject to a power site reservation, H.R. 2842, to authorize all Bureau of Reclamation conduit facilities for hydropower development under Federal Reclamation law, S. 3464, to amend the Mni Wiconi Project Act of 1988 to facilitate completion of the Mni Wiconi Rural Water Supply System, and S. 3483, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to adjust the Crooked River boundary, to provide water certainty for the City of Prineville, Oregon.

SD-366

10 a.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Business meeting to consider S. 3391, to amend section 353 of the Public Health Service Act with respect to suspension, revocation, and limitation of laboratory certification, an original bill entitled, "Recalcitrant Cancer Research Act of 2012", S. 1440, to reduce preterm labor and delivery and the risk of pregnancy-related deaths and complications due to pregnancy, and to reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity, and nomination lists in the Public Health Service.

SD-430

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine homeland threats and agency responses.

SD-342

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine certain nominations.

SD-226

2 p.m.

Aging

To hold hearings to examine eliminating waste and fraud in Medicare, focusing

on an examination of prior authorization requirements for power mobility devices.

SD-562

2:15 p.m.

Foreign Relations

Business meeting to consider S. 2215, to create jobs in the United States by increasing United States exports to Africa by at least 200 percent in real dollar value within 10 years, S. 2318, to authorize the Secretary of State to pay a reward to combat transnational organized crime and for information concerning foreign nationals wanted by international criminal tribunals, S. 3310, to direct the President, in consultation with the Department of State, United States Agency for International Development, Millennium Challenge Corporation, and the Department of Defense, to establish guidelines for United States foreign assistance programs, S. 3331, to provide for universal intercountry adoption accreditation standards, S. 3341, to require a quadrennial diplomacy and development review, S. Con. Res. 50, expressing the sense of Congress regarding actions to preserve and advance the multistakeholder governance model under which the Internet has thrived, S. Res. 516, expressing the sense of the Senate on the restitution of or compensation for property seized during the Nazi and Communist eras, S. Res. 466, calling for the release from prison

of former Prime Minister of Ukraine Yulia Tymoshenko, S. Res. 543, to express the sense of the Senate on international parental child abduction the nominations of Richard G. Olson, of New Mexico, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Department of State, and John Hardy Isakson, of Georgia, and Patrick J. Leahy, of Vermont, both to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-seventh Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, and lists in the Foreign Service.

S-116, Capitol

2:30 p.m.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine five years of the "America COMPETES Act", focusing on progress, challenges, and next steps.

SR-253

Judiciary

Constitution, Civil Rights and Human Rights Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine hate crimes and the threat of domestic extremism.

SD-226

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine investing in an effective Federal workforce.

SD-342

SEPTEMBER 20

2 p.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Investigations Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine offshore profit shifting and the U.S. tax code.

SD-G50

2:15 p.m.

Indian Affairs

To hold an oversight hearing to examine advancing the Federal-tribal relationship through self-governance and self-determination.

SD-628

SEPTEMBER 25

2 p.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine improving financial accountability at the Department of Defense.

SD-342