Mr. Speaker, please join me in leading this body in recognition of Suzanne and Jeffrey Citron. It is with great pleasure that I am able to join with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Monmouth County in honoring their work this evening. Both Suzanne and Jeffrey are truly deserving of this body's recognition.

GOOD EGG BREAKFAST 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. JEFF DENHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 23, 2012

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker: I rise today to recognize and honor the Good Egg Breakfast on its 50th anniversary. The first Good Egg Breakfast, GEB, was held in April 1963 at the Sportsmen of Stanislaus Clubhouse. Today, the event is billed as the world's longest running egg promotion breakfast.

Original cosponsors of the GEB were Stanislaus and San Joaquin County area poultrymen and the Modesto Chamber of Commerce. Stanislaus County Farm Bureau was added as a cosponsor, and the poultrymen evolved into the Pacific Egg and Poultry Association and the California Poultry Federation. Today, the four entities that plan and execute the breakfast are the Modesto Chamber of Commerce, California Poultry Federation, Pacific Egg and Poultry Association, and the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau Federation. The Good Egg Committee is made up of members from the aforementioned sponsors.

The original GEB award was given to an area resident singled out for their outstanding contributions to agriculture. The breakfast also kicked off Farm-City Days in Stanislaus County. The breakfast now includes recognition not only of agriculturists but also those from every walk of life who have demonstrated dedication and outstanding service for the benefit of the community. Mr. Good Egg of 1970, Governor Ronald Reagan, is the most famous of past honorees. In 1981, the Good Egg of the Year award was renamed the ''Fred C. Price Good Egg of the Year Award,'' in honor of farm advisor Fred Price.

The GEB also awards scholarship stipends to local Modesto Junior College students who epitomize a ''Good Egg''—someone who gives back to the community.

The following is a list of all the Good Egg recipients for the past 50 years: 1963—Joe Domecq; 1964—John G. Veneman; 1965—Ernest Tarone; 1966—Wiiliam Ulm; 1967—Richard Lyng; 1968—Joe Hart; 1969—Milton Kidd; 1970—Ronald Reagan; 1971—Fred G. Thiemann; 1972—Romain Stewart; 1973—John Keefe; 1974—Dan Kelsay; 1975—Frank Espinola; 1976—Clare Berryhill; 1977—Donald West; 1978—George Biddle; 1979—John Thurman; 1980—Norton Coleman; 1981—Mathew Fiscalini; 1982—Max Foster; 1983—Paul Lavine; 1984—Bill Lyons, Sr; 1985—Peggy Mensinger; 1986—Larry Banks; 1987—John De Boer; 1988—Larry Can; 1989—Larry Hooker; 1990—Grant Lucas; 1991—Bette Belle Smith; 1992—James S. West; 1993—Ernie Gemperle; 1994—Roland Starn; 1995—Henry Voss; 1996—Bob Benson; 1997—Stan Hodges; 1998—Ray Simon; 1998—Genie Zehrung; 1999—Tony Cobarrubia; 2000—George House; 2001—Dr. George West; 2002—Nick Blom; 2003—Willis D. ''Woody'' Woodward, D.V.M; 2004—Saxon Downs; 2005—Shirley Jorgensen; 2006—Bill Lyons, Jr; 2007—Carol Whiteside; 2008—Gary West; 2009—Dr. Mark Bender; 2010—Dr. Richard Breitmeyer; 2011—Reverend Vernon Deatherege; 2011—Barbara Deatherege, Ph.D.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating the Good Egg Breakfast for 50 years of promoting eggs, agriculture, and community service.

RECOGNIZING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL IN MORGAN HILL, CALIFORNIA

HON. JERRY McNERNEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 23, 2012

Mr. McNERNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Central High School in Morgan Hill, California, which is located in my congressional district.

A quality education is the cornerstone of our children's and country's future. A strong educational system ensures that we will remain competitive in an ever growing and interconnected world. We must demand the best from students, excellence from teachers, and the involvement of parents and communities. Central High School is emblematic of the rewards of hard work.

Central High's dedication and commitment to quality education has been a model for schools throughout California. The hard work of everyone involved at the school, including teachers, students, and administrators is evident in its exceptional 158 point improvement in the state's Academic Performance Index. This success shows what can be achieved when all stakeholders work together with a focused goal, and is something that will benefit these students their entire lives.

I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the improvements, accomplishments, and dedication to academic excellence at Central High School.

HONORING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR IRA MARKS

HON. STEVEN R. ROTHMAN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 23, 2012

Mr. ROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Ira Marks for his dedicated leadership and service to the Borough of Fair Lawn, a community that I have the pleasure of representing in New Jersey's Ninth Congressional District. At the end of the year Ira will be retiring from his position as Director and Emergency Management Coordinator for the Borough, a position he has held since 2006. Mr. Marks is a dedicated public servant and I am pleased to recognize him as he completes his distinguished career.

Mr. Marks first began working in the Office of Emergency Management in 1997. Since then he has served as Local Emergency Planning Committee President, Shelter Coordinator, Deputy Coordinator, and Emergency Management Coordinator. He has been integral in restoring the borough after several natural disasters, including flooding from Hurricane Irene, and assisting in medical training. Mr. Marks has demonstrated his talent for combining community service with his training and knowledge of the health field to improve the Office of Emergency Management.

Furthermore, Ira Marks has served as a volunteer for the Borough of Fair Lawn since 1978 while working in the private sector. He spent 21 years in the Volunteer Ambulance Corps, donating his time and holding the offices of Treasurer, Vice President, President, and Trustee. Among his many accomplishments, Ira aided in obtaining a grant for 10 automated external defibrillators for the training of Fair Lawn police officers. Ira was recognized for his excellent work when he was awarded the Distinguished Volunteer Service Cross in 1995, as well as the Hackensack Medical Center Award for EMS Excellence of Life Saving in 1998.

Ira is a graduate of Monmouth University in New Jersey, a veteran of the Army National Guard, and a wonderful New Jerseyan. His extraordinary dedication to public service is an inspiration to us all.

Mr. Speaker, today I rise to congratulate Ira Marks for his tremendous service to our community. I join with the grateful residents of the Borough of Fair Lawn in thanking him for his innumerable contributions to our community. His leadership and dedication to service have improved the lives of many and I wish him an enjoyable retirement.

RECOGNIZING CHRISTIAN VOLUNTEER SERVICE FOR THEIR TIRELESS DEDICATION AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 23, 2012

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the charitable, nonprofit organization, Christian Volunteer Service.

Christian Volunteer Service, CVS, is an organization that has been active in Claiborne County, Mississippi, for 31 years. Founded in January 1981 by Don and Jeannette Mahoney, Christian Volunteer Service began their work in the community by providing practical aid for citizens that were sick and confined to their home. The services included home visits, preparation of meals and feeding, bathing and light household cleaning.

Later, they partnered with Meals on Wheels, a program that delivers meals free of charge to the elderly, to continue their philanthropic efforts; Christian Volunteer Service began providing roundtrip transportation for medical appointment for the elderly throughout the Port Gibson, Vicksburg and Jackson areas. Christian Volunteer Service has a stellar record for serving over 12,500 families, repairing over 1,600 homes and spending over $700,000 on the needy with the help of dedicated volunteers and supporters over the past years.

The volunteers of Christian Volunteer Service are dedicated to working with local churches and residents in the county to provide care