

partnership with leading advertising industry associations) and created a special Children's Advertising Review Unit (CARU) to evaluate child-directed advertising and promotional material in all media against its own standards and relevant laws;

Created a National Consumer Arbitration Program to provide consumers and businesses with a fast, fair and free method of resolving disputes without resorting to overburdened courts;

Consolidated BBB's long-standing role—reviewing publicly-soliciting charitable organizations against a set of standards—into a single Philanthropic Advisory Service (now the BBB Wise Giving Alliance);

Served as the organizing body to create the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals in Business (SOCAP) to “. . . provide for and promote the exchange of ideas, expertise and opinions relevant to consumer affairs” and “to aid business in anticipating, recognizing and responding to consumer needs, desires and expectations”; and

Began the process of utilizing emerging computer technology to better understand consumer dissatisfaction with the marketplace and provide timely, fact-based data for business, consumer groups, regulators and the public.

The BBB system accepted a major challenge in 1983, when the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and General Motors Corporation (GM) signed a consent order, agreeing to use BBB AUTO LINE[®]—a consumer mediation and arbitration program—to resolve disputes arising out of certain specified component parts of GM vehicles. In 1991 (when the consent order was to expire), the FTC noted that more than 233,000 consumers received in excess of \$68 million from GM through BBB arbitration and millions of other owners received settlements from GM through BBB conciliation and/or mediation. A similar consent order was signed by Volkswagen of America in 1988, also providing for arbitration through the BBB. Today, 28 manufacturers continue to participate in BBB AUTO LINE[®] nationally, with others participating on a state-by-state basis.

In 1997, the BBB system launched BBBOnLine[®] at a briefing at the U.S. Capitol for legislators and regulators with business and consumer leaders. This BBB program was designed to take advantage of Internet technology to provide timely information to the millions of people who were becoming “wired” through emerging Internet technologies. In 2004, the BBB system launched BBB Military Line to provide free, specialized resources to support military communities in the areas of financial literacy and consumer protection through education, outreach to service members and their families, information, data collection and BBB complaint-handling and dispute resolution.

100 years after the first BBB launched in Minneapolis, BBBs will likely have responded to over 100 million requests from consumers for BBB assistance, will accept, process and attempt to resolve roughly one million consumer complaints and will be supported in that effort by over 400,000 BBB Accredited Businesses and national partners representing many of the world's largest advertisers. In addition, BBB will very often be the “first responder” to Wed the public to new and fast-moving frauds and schemes that increasingly use high technology to prey on victims.

This fall, from September 30—October 3, 2012, BBBs from the United States and Canada will gather to celebrate their centennial anniversary in Washington, D.C., highlighting an extraordinary century of service to business and consumers with events in both the District of Columbia and at Mt. Vernon, the home of America's first President. I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the BBB, and that this Congress:

(1) Recognizes the 100th anniversary of the advertising industry's “fight for truth in advertising” that culminated in the founding of the Better Business Bureau; and

(2) Honors and praises the Better Business Bureau system on the occasion of its anniversary for its work to advance marketplace trust on behalf of businesses and consumers, in cooperation with government and the local, state and federal level, through a transparent process of voluntary self-regulation, public education and marketplace conflict resolution.

CONGRATULATING THE LEMON GROVE LITTLE LEAGUE SENIOR DIVISION ALL-STARS ON WINNING THE U.S. CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. SUSAN A. DAVIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mrs. DAVIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate the Lemon Grove Little League Senior Division All-Stars on becoming U.S. champions and coming in second at the Senior Division World Series in Bangor, Maine.

Getting to the World Series in Maine was no small task, and Lemon Grove showed how practicing hard and working together can really pay off.

Actually, Congress could probably learn a lot from how well this group worked together.

Lemon Grove's run to becoming U.S. champions was inspiring for everyone in the community, and we are all very proud.

Congratulations to all the families, the coaches, and of course, the players!

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the Lemon Grove Little League All-Stars and wishing them the very best in all of their future endeavors.

IN RECOGNITION OF GOSNOLD ON THE CAPE

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Gosnold on Cape Cod as the facility celebrates its fortieth year of service to southeastern Massachusetts.

Gosnold on Cape Cod is the largest provider of addiction and mental health services on the Cape and has been helping individuals on the road to recovery since 1972. It has grown since its founding, when it was originally known as the Pocasset Detox Center, and has continuously expanded throughout the years in order to better serve its patients. Two years after it first opened its doors,

Gosnold incorporated one of the first residential treatment programs in the country designed exclusively for women, and expanded again in 1996 to treat individuals with mental and emotional disorders in addition to individuals suffering from addiction.

Gosnold has been recognized nationally for its excellence as it has grown. In 1987, Forbes Magazine recognized Gosnold as one of the twelve leading substance abuse treatment programs in the country, and in 1995, the Emerson House Pregnancy Program, Gosnold's residential treatment center for pregnant women and women with children, was selected to be featured on ABC's Nightline. Recently, the Massachusetts Mental Health Counselors Association named Gosnold as the 2010–2011 Mental Health Agency of the Year. These are all such fitting accolades for a center whose employees have worked tirelessly to ensure that patients receive the treatment they need, along with the compassion they deserve.

Focusing on individualized treatment as well as group therapy, twelve-step principles, family involvement, and continuing care, the specialists at the Gosnold center understand that addiction is a chronic disease requiring lifelong management. Gosnold's mission—to excel in addiction and mental health treatment, to serve men, women, and families affected by these illnesses, and to promote lasting recovery—has guided the center since its inception. Surrounded by the restorative and calming qualities of the Cape Cod shoreline, Gosnold has allowed those affected by addiction and mental illness to find peace and stability after turmoil.

Mr. Speaker, it brings me great pride to honor Gosnold on Cape Cod as it celebrates its fortieth year of service to its patients and to Massachusetts. I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating the center for its steadfast leadership in the treatment of addiction, and for its dedication to the patients it serves.

TO HONOR THE LIFE OF JUDY GALLO

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a tireless advocate for workers, Judy Gallo. She is survived by her husband, two sons, a step-daughter, a sister, a sister-in-law, a daughter-in-law, co-grandmother and grandson.

Ms. Gallo's work experience included spending three years in the 1960's campaigning for civil rights with the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee in the south, working as a youth leader in New York City, helping lead the Cleveland peace movement, acting as a leader with Peace Action and Women Speak Out for Peace, and attempting to organize a nurses union at MetroHealth.

Upon retiring, Judy remained active in the United Labor Agency serving as Outreach Coordinator, and beginning in 2001 helped register several thousand Cleveland voters through the development of the Greater Cleveland Voter Coalition.

As her illness became more assertive Ms. Gallo did not allow her inability to walk, read,

or write hinder her hard work and dedication. Not only did she spend hours making countless phone calls to help organize speakers against S.B. 5, she also initiated and oversaw the completion of an informative booklet, "Women's History Project." This literary work identifies 16 local social activists and explains their background and experiences with social justice causes. The Western Reserve Historical Society has included this booklet in its research catalog.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring the life and achievements of Judy Gallo. She will be missed by all who knew her. Her memory will live on through the legacy of her dedicated service to the community, and her tireless advocacy of social justice.

IN RECOGNITION OF ASBURY
PARK MAYOR ED JOHNSON

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mayor Ed Johnson as he is honored by the NJ State Conference of the NAACP at its 2012 Annual NJ NAACP State Convention. The Mayor's leadership and dedication to the City of Asbury Park is highly deserving of recognition.

First elected to serve as mayor in May 2005, Mayor Johnson is currently serving his second term in office. In addition, Mayor Johnson is a member of the Governing body of Asbury Park, the Transportation Center Subcommittee, and the Neighborhood Preservation Program, among many others. He is no stranger to leadership roles within the City of Asbury Park, having previously served as Chairman of the Asbury Park Urban Enterprise Zone. Through his work at the Asbury Park Urban Enterprise Zone, Mayor Johnson helped develop an organization dedicated to supporting economic growth in Asbury Park and his commitment to opportunities for residents continues today.

Mayor Johnson is also a strong advocate for accessible quality education. He is a graduate of Eastern New Mexico University, where he earned both a Bachelor of Science Degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences and a Master of Arts Degree in Social and Political Science. His commitment to education is evident in his role as Director of the Brookdale Community College Long Branch Higher Education Center and his previous employment as an educator.

Mr. Speaker, once again, please join me in recognizing Mayor Ed Johnson as the NJ State NAACP gathers to celebrate its annual convention. Mayor Johnson's leadership and service to the City of Asbury Park is truly honorable.

IN HONOR OF POLICE CHIEF PAUL
FRAZIER FOR HIS DEDICATED
PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE TOWN
OF BRAINTREE AND THE COM-
MONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-
SETTS

HON. STEPHEN F. LYNCH

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Police Chief Paul Frazier of Braintree, Massachusetts, in recognition of his thirty-two years of dedicated public service to the families of the Town of Braintree and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Chief Frazier was born and raised in Braintree, Massachusetts, by his proud parents, Mary and Robert Frazier. He is one of ten children. He currently resides in Braintree, Massachusetts and is the proud parent of two wonderful daughters, Jenny and Katie.

Chief Frazier graduated from Braintree High School in 1973 and, following in his father's footsteps, he joined the United States Marine Corps earning the rank of Corporal. After serving our country, he attended Northeastern University and earned a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice.

Subsequent to his graduation from Northeastern University, he was hired by the Braintree Police Department on June 2e, 1980. Early in his career, he earned the American Legion's "Medal of Honor" for apprehending an armed felon during a shooting incident. He was later promoted to Sergeant on September 1st, 1987, and Lieutenant on February 5th, 1990. As a Lieutenant, he led the Detective Division and worked with the South Shore Drug Task Force.

In 1993, he became the Chief of Police and was reappointed by Mayor Joseph Sullivan in 2010. As the Chief of Police for 19 years, he has implemented a number of improvements to the department that helped train and equip the police force. Most recently, he helped guide a \$1 million renovation of the police station.

Chief Frazier has volunteered countless hours to various causes, notably the Alzheimer's Disease Memory Ride, where funds are raised to combat Alzheimer's Disease, and the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association Ralph LePore Jimmy Fund Golf Tournament. Fittingly, Chief Frazier was recognized for his leadership with the Ken Coleman Extra Mile Award, given to the outstanding volunteer to the Jimmy Fund Golf Tournament.

Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct honor to take to the floor of the House today to join with his family, friends and contemporaries to thank Braintree Police Chief Paul Frazier for his dedicated public service to the families of the Town of Braintree, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and to the United States of America. I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing Police Chief Paul Frazier's career of unselfish commitment to his community and country.

IN RECOGNITION OF HELEN
FRESSOLA

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I along with my colleague, Mr. Neal, rise today to recognize Mrs. Helen Fressola on her ninetieth birthday.

Born Helen Haluszka on September 14, 1922, Helen has experienced much throughout her ninety years. Raised in Chicopee as one of three siblings, Helen grew up in Western Massachusetts and also often spent time in Cape Cod, which she considered her second home. Helen began work as a branch manager for Springfield Institution Savings Bank as a young woman, and remained there until her retirement. She also worked as a real estate agent for many years, helping families throughout Massachusetts to find the right home. In her spare time, Helen enjoyed "flipping" houses—the act of purchasing, remodeling, and then selling old homes—and eventually, she expanded this hobby to include restaurants as well. The many homes and restaurants that she renovated remain scattered throughout western Massachusetts and Connecticut.

Today, Helen's life is dominated by her love of the ocean, and she is an active member of the Hyannis Yacht Club. She has been interested in politics for decades, and recalls attending events on the Cape that were hosted by members of the Kennedy family. She attributes her longevity to staying young at heart, a way of life that Helen has personified. Even at ninety, she enjoys going out to dinner with her friends and visiting her favorite casino, and she still insists on driving herself to every social occasion that she attends. Helen spends much of her time with her ever-expanding family in Massachusetts. She is the proud mother of son Alfred and daughter Carol, grandmother of Joan, and great-grandmother of Shylae.

Mr. Speaker, we are proud to honor Helen Fressola as she celebrates the joyous occasion of her ninetieth birthday. She is an extraordinary member of our community and her positive spirit is an inspiration to us all. We ask that our colleagues join us in wishing her many more years of health and happiness.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE
OF 1ST LT. TODD W. LAMBKA

HON. HEATH SHULER

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mr. SHULER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of 1st Lt. Todd W. Lambka. On August 1st, 2012, he passed away while serving in the Paktika province of Afghanistan.

1st Lt. Lambka attended Robbinsville High School where he participated in both football and wrestling. He was known for his maturity as well as his work ethic, building a reputation for outworking his teammates and making others around him better. Following high school, 1st Lt. Lambka excelled as a student at the United States Military Academy at West Point,