

McCoy books and publications, the installation newspaper (The Real McCoy) and community outreach to ensure that Fort McCoy remains a great community partner and neighbor. Probably her most lasting impact at Fort McCoy is her role in the creation of the installation's Commemorative Area, History Center and Equipment Park. Under Linda's supervision, the Fort McCoy Commemorative Area was recognized with a Department of the Army Award of Excellence in the 2009 Major General Keith L. Ware Public Affairs Communications Competition and specifically cited for its Community Relations outreach.

It has been an honor for me to serve as U.S. Representative for Wisconsin's Third Congressional District during the Fournier's tenure at Fort McCoy. I know their leadership will be greatly missed at the base and surrounding communities, but I am thankful for their dedication and contributions to ensuring that Fort McCoy remains a shining star in the nation's military training infrastructure.

On behalf of my constituents in Wisconsin and a grateful nation, I would like to thank and commend Al and Linda Fournier for their decades of dedicated service with the U.S. Army Reserve at Fort McCoy and wish them the very best in their future endeavors.

CONGRATULATING DR. YUICHI SHODA, GOLDEN GOOSE AWARDEE

HON. SUZAN K. DELBENE

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 17, 2015

Ms. DELBENE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate University of Washington Professor Dr. Yuichi Shoda on being recognized this week as a recipient of the 2015 Golden Goose Award.

Created in 2012, the Golden Goose Award celebrates obscure science to show how basic research—even research that may sound odd—can lead to major breakthroughs and significant impacts on society.

Dr. Shoda's work with the "Marshmallow Test," first funded by the National Institutes of Health in the 1960s to test a child's self-control, is more than deserving of this honor. His test was seminal in interpreting human behavior and has impacted how we educate children and save for retirement today.

Each year, federal investments in research like this help push the boundaries of scientific knowledge, support new industries and address the challenges facing our country.

But to remain a world leader, we need to ensure our researchers and institutions continue to have the tools to explore new ideas and frontiers in research, as well as the funding opportunities to do so.

Unfortunately, research continues to face irresponsible funding cuts in Congress. When sequestration took effect two years ago, more than 1,000 grants at the National Science Foundation went unfunded, and NIH funding was slashed by \$1.6 billion.

It's time we learn that research isn't a spigot that can just be turned on and off. Breakthroughs come after years of incremental research, and cutting funds now could set us back for decades to come.

Through my post-graduate research work, I have also seen firsthand the economic impact of these investments in communities nationwide. In my home state of Washington, for example, funding for NIH supports more than 14,000 jobs.

I hope this week's recognition of obscure science by the Golden Goose Awards helps renew our commitment to research. We must support the tireless efforts of those who allow our country to continue to break new ground in scientific discovery.

Congratulations to Dr. Shoda and the other Golden Goose Awardees, and thank you for your continued contributions to our nation.

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL NEUROBLASTOMA AWARENESS DAY

HON. MICHAEL T. McCAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 17, 2015

Mr. McCAUL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize September 20th as National Neuroblastoma Awareness Day. Neuroblastoma is a deadly pediatric cancer that primarily strikes infants and young children. Of the 15,780 new cases of pediatric cancer in the U.S. each year, approximately 700 are neuroblastoma diagnoses. About half of these children will have an advanced-stage, high-risk form of disease. Even with aggressive treatment, only 40 to 50 percent of high-risk patients will survive. Neuroblastoma is the most common extra-cranial solid tumor among children and the most common cancer in infancy. The cause of the disease is unknown but leads to abnormal cell growth during the development of the sympathetic nervous system.

I am pleased to inform my colleagues that we have seen significant progress this year in the fight against this devastating disease. In March, the Food and Drug Administration approved the first drug ever to treat children with high-risk neuroblastoma. In August, the same product received regulatory approval in the European Union. The drug, Unituxin (dinutuximab), is marketed by United Therapeutics Corporation. United Therapeutics was also granted a Pediatric Rare Disease Priority Review Voucher by the FDA. This innovative voucher program was established by the Creating Hope Act—legislation that I sponsored with my colleagues Congressman CHRIS VAN HOLLEN (D-MD) and Congressman G.K. BUTTERFIELD (D-NC). Enacted into law in 2012, the Creating Hope Act is designed to incentivize the pharmaceutical industry to invest in new therapies for rare childhood diseases.

Approval of this groundbreaking therapy is the result of a unique public-private partnership over many years. Originally developed by Dr. Alice Yu, University of California San Diego, the drug was tested in high-risk neuroblastoma patients in clinical studies conducted by the Children's Oncology Group through support from the National Cancer Institute (NCI). Manufacturing of the complex chimeric antibody was conducted by the NCI at its biopharmaceutical laboratory in Frederick, Maryland. In 2010, United Therapeutics entered into a Cooperative Research and Develop-

ment Agreement with the NCI where the company assumed responsibility for manufacturing the drug and moving it through the regulatory approval process.

According to Dr. Malcolm Smith, Associate Branch Chief, Pediatrics in the Cancer Therapy Evaluation Program at NCI, "The FDA approval of dinutuximab represents the culmination of a remarkably productive collaboration between researchers of the NCI-supported Children's Oncology Group, the manufacturing and clinical research groups of NCI, and the oncology team at United Therapeutics. Children with neuroblastoma will benefit from this collaboration, and the drug development pathway blazed by dinutuximab will likely be followed in the future to develop other novel agents directed against pediatric cancer therapeutic targets."

Mr. Speaker, I have the privilege of co-chairing the Congressional Childhood Cancer Caucus with Congressman VAN HOLLEN. Each September, the Caucus commemorates National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month by hosting a Childhood Cancer Summit on Capitol Hill. This event features pediatric cancer patients, advocates, physicians, industry partners and other key stakeholders. As part of this year's Summit on September 18th, we will hear from Casey and Lesley Ryan, the parents of Rex Ryan, a young neuroblastoma patient from my home state of Texas. We will also hear from Roger Jeffs, PhD, President and Co-Chief Executive Officer of United Therapeutics, Dr. Lee Helman from the National Cancer Institute, Dr. Michael Link of the Stanford School of Medicine, Dr. Amy Fowler of the Dell Children's Medical Center, and Danielle Leach of the St. Baldrick's Foundation.

As we recognize the progress that has been made in neuroblastoma treatment, we remain focused on the many challenges that remain and the toll this disease has taken on so many families. One such family is the Lindbergs from Germantown, Maryland. Wendy and Gavin Lindberg lost their 7 year-old son Evan to neuroblastoma in 2010. He was their only child. Diagnosed at the age of 3, Evan waged a four-year battle against Stage IV neuroblastoma that defined courage. Evan was a remarkable little boy who inspired everyone he met with his bravery, compassion and joyful approach to life.

In his memory, Wendy and Gavin established The Evan's Victory Against Neuroblastoma Foundation to promote awareness of the disease, fund much-needed research, and support patient wellness programs for children in treatment. Since Evan's passing, the Foundation bearing his name has made and continues to make a real difference in the lives of children and families suffering from neuroblastoma. There are many other organizations doing wonderful philanthropic work in memory of children lost far too young to this terrible disease. Their strength in the face of adversity compels us to do all we can to help families facing the unthinkable.

So Mr. Speaker, I am proud to rise in recognition of September 20th as National Neuroblastoma Awareness Day and encourage my colleagues to join in the fight against all pediatric cancers. Our children's future depends on it.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
OF CALVIN GEORGE MORET

HON. CEDRIC L. RICHMOND

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 17, 2015

Mr. RICHMOND. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Calvin George Moret, the last surviving Louisiana member of the Tuskegee Airmen, a group of African-American pilots who fought in World War II and were the first African-American pilots in the United States military. Mr. Moret passed away on September 12, 2015, at the age of 90.

Mr. Moret entered the military in 1943 and trained as a military pilot at Tuskegee, Alabama, receiving his wings and commission as a Flight Officer on November 20, 1944. His preparation for overseas combat duty continued through the end of the war in Europe and then through the end of the war in the Pacific. He was discharged from military service on January 31, 1946.

Following his discharge from military duty he returned to the family printing business, Moret Press. To help the family business Moret needed to look outside of New Orleans for school, because segregation laws prohibited him from studying at Delgado Trade School. He was able to gain admission to the printing department at Southern University in Baton Rouge and completed the course.

Mr. Moret's flying experience did not stop upon discharge from the military. In the spring of 1949, he and his brother Adolph, who had learned to fly before the war, formed a flying club. Along with twenty other men, they purchased a 3-place Piper Super Cruiser airplane and hangered it at Lakefront Airport in New Orleans until the summer of 1953, where they introduced members to the miracle of human flight.

On June 17, 2008, as a result of Hurricane Katrina and the flooding aftermath that decimated the city, Moret Press was destroyed and the family was separated for months. The business has not operated since the Friday before the hurricane struck.

Following the release of "The Tuskegee Airmen" movie in 1995, Mr. Moret frequently lectured about his experiences and promoting the proud history of African-American accomplishments in American life.

In 2007, Mr. Moret was present when he Tuskegee Airmen received the Congressional Gold Medal in the rotunda of the Capitol.

Mr. Moret was a trailblazer, clearing the path for countless men and women of color to enter the military and fight to defend their country. He will be sorely missed by his family, his friends, and all of those who are able to pursue their dreams because of his courage. His memory will serve an inspiration for generations to come.

Mr. Speaker, as a beneficiary of Mr. Moret's courage, commitment and sacrifice, I celebrate his life and legacy, because he has made America a more perfect union.

HONORING WILLIS "WALLY"
WALLING

HON. MARK SANFORD

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 17, 2015

Mr. SANFORD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and remember Willis R. Walling, who died on Wednesday, September 9, 2015, at the age of ninety-four. Affectionately known as "Wally" to me and many others, he will be missed.

Born in Newark, NJ, he was the son of the late Willis H. and Gladys R. Walling.

Those who knew Wally would say some of his fondest memories were of the time he spent serving as a fighter pilot in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II. You might even call his adventures "legendary," with sixty-six missions in Europe and becoming the tenth Allied plane to land in France after D-Day. He was one of the greatest supporters of the Allied Forces through France and beyond.

After leaving the service, he and his wife, Peg, moved to New Jersey where he served as President of Swan Manufacturing in Rockaway, NJ. It was during his time in Rockaway that he and Peg became active in the New Jersey Republican Party where he served as chairman for a period of time.

As many Northerners do, he and Peg moved south after retirement. Lucky for us South Carolinians, they chose Pawleys Island as their new home. They both quickly became active in local politics. I had the pleasure of meeting Wally during my first run for Congress in 1994 and have since appreciated his kindness and hospitality. Of course, you appreciate everyone who joins you in the heat of battle on the campaign trail, but it is the ones who are with you from the beginning who you hold closest to your heart. Wally was one of the loyal ones who would stick with you.

Loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity, and personal courage are the seven values of the Army, and Wally was a man who exemplified every one of them. His surviving daughters, Susan Houser, Jeanne Auermuller (Bob), and Diane Dunham (Phil), eight grandchildren, and twelve great-grandchildren can be proud of the man they called "Dad" or "Grandpa," and I have no doubt that they would be. They will miss him dearly . . . and I will too.

IN RECOGNITION OF SEPTEMBER
18, 2015 AS THE UZEYIR
HAJIBEYLI MEMORIAL DAY

HON. PAUL A. GOSAR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 17, 2015

Mr. GOSAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Uzeyir Hajibeyli Memorial Day, celebrated on September 18, 2015.

Uzeyir Hajibeyli was born in the City of Agjabadi in Azerbaijan on September 18, 1885. He is recognized as the father of Azerbaijani classical music, as well as the founder of the first opera, Leyli and Majnun (1908), and first operetta The Cloth Peddler (1913) in the Muslim world. Arshin Mal Alan (The Cloth

Peddler), is a romantic and musical comedy that delves into a young couple's struggle to live a modern lifestyle in the presence of restricting customs through pure love and women's rights.

In 1945, a cinematic version of the operetta was filmed in Azerbaijan and became an instant box office sensation. It remains today an important cultural touchstone across Eurasia, having been widely distributed in 86 languages and shown in 136 countries.

Uzeyir Hajibeyli was influential in both cultural and historical contexts. Hajibeyli was responsible for a new genre of music which evolved from the culmination of traditional Azerbaijani music and European classical opera. He is recognized as a leader in fighting illiteracy throughout the nation. As not only a musician but as a teacher and journalist, he inspired a new cultural movement throughout the nation that transcended the country's borders. Further, Hajibeyli is responsible for composing the first national anthem of Azerbaijan. Uzeyir Hajibeyli played an active role in the creation of the Azerbaijan Democratic Republic founded in 1918.

As today marks the 130th anniversary of Uzeyir Hajibeyli's birth, I am honored to recognize him today for his valuable contributions towards the world of music and to Azerbaijan.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
OF REVEREND JOSEPH C. PROFIT,
JR.

HON. CEDRIC L. RICHMOND

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 17, 2015

Mr. RICHMOND. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Reverend Joseph C. Profit, Jr., a pastor of Stronger Hope Baptist Church, who passed away on September 4, 2015, at the age of 80.

Reverend Profit dedicated fifty years to the Stronger Hope Baptist Church and was a leading civil rights activist in New Orleans. He served as the fifth president of the Ideal Missionary Baptist and Educational Association, Inc. and Regional Vice President of the Louisiana Baptist State Convention. Rev. Profit also participated in the Baptist World Alliance in Stockholm, Sweden, as a delegate.

After Hurricane Katrina, Rev. Profit was a leader in rebuilding New Orleans—physically and spiritually. Although he evacuated to San Antonio, Texas, Reverend Profit drove to New Orleans every other weekend to hold service, and finally in 2008, he completely rebuilt The Stronger Hope Baptist Church with the help of his loyal congregation. The Church sits on the corner of South Galvez and First Street, where it has rested since 1937.

To honor Reverend Profit, who was a vital asset to the New Orleans community of faith, we acknowledge the importance of faith and culture in resilience. To commemorate Rev. Profit and his irreplaceable legacy, we remember his life-long contribution to the city of New Orleans and we strive to continue his messages of faith, hope, and unity.

Mr. Speaker, as a beneficiary of Reverend Profit's courage, dedication and undying faith, I celebrate his life and legacy, because he has made America a more perfect union.