

each October around the world. At this time Dysautonomia International is funding research to develop better treatments and hopefully find a cure for all forms of this condition in the future.

I wanted to recognize the contributions of the professional medical community, patients and family members who are working to educate our citizenry about dysautonomia throughout Western New York.

Mr. Speaker, thank you for allowing me a few moments to recognize Dysautonomia Awareness Month. I ask that my colleagues join me in support for those suffering from the devastating medical condition and encourage them to spread awareness across the United States this October. I am pleased to inform you that on the night of October 1st, in my Congressional District in Niagara Falls, New York, Niagara Falls will be lit up turquoise from 10:00 p.m. to 10:15 p.m. in support of Dysautonomia Awareness Month.

HONORING THE 50TH
ANNIVERSARY OF JOB CORPS

HON. RICK LARSEN

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 30, 2015

Mr. LARSEN of Washington. Mr. Speaker, today I congratulate Job Corps on the recent 50th Anniversary of the founding of the program.

Established in 1955 as a partnership between public agencies and private businesses, Job Corps has since offered more than 3 million young people housing, educational opportunities and job training to connect them with good jobs and financial independence.

Every year, more than 50,000 people enroll in Job Corps, including veterans, young parents and youth aging out of the foster system, because Job Corps provides these individuals with the critical resources they need to become successful. Job Corps continues to evolve to meet the changing needs of youth and employers, preparing students to succeed in the current marketplace. And it changes lives—more than 80% of Job Corps graduates obtain jobs, join the military or enroll in higher education.

Cascades Job Corps in Sedro-Woolley is one of four centers in Washington state. Cascades Job Corps Center ably serves my constituents, helping nearly 500 students each year learn skills necessary to fully participate in our economy and democracy. Hands-on and self-paced job training in fields like carpentry, medicine and office administration ensures that students are qualified for jobs in the local economy. After graduating from the program students receive support to help them find housing, transportation and jobs in their field.

Cascades Job Corps Center was recently selected by the Burlington Chamber of Commerce as Business of the Year, underscoring its importance in the community. Nationally, Job Corps generates an average of \$1.91 in local economic activity for each dollar invested in it. The Cascades Job Corps Center also makes a difference by partnering with local or-

ganizations like Community Action of Skagit County, Habitat for Humanity and the Helping Hands Food Bank to offer students meaningful service work.

I congratulate Job Corps for 50 years of offering young people from all walks of life the opportunity to build successful careers and fulfilling lives.

RECOGNIZING FEEDING SOUTH
FLORIDA AND ITS WORK FOR
HUNGER ACTION MONTH

HON. LOIS FRANKEL

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 30, 2015

Ms. FRANKEL of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend Feeding South Florida for their work during the 8th annual Hunger Action Month this September. Hunger Action Month is a Feeding America nationwide campaign to mobilize the public, help raise awareness about the issue of hunger, and take action to help end it. To celebrate Hunger Action Month, Feeding South Florida “painted the town orange” and held a series of events throughout South Florida to raise awareness about food insecurity, making it clear that anyone and everyone can do something to help end hunger.

In South Florida, hunger and food insecurity are all too common. Nearly 14 percent of the population of South Florida is food insecure, with more than 785,000 people not knowing where they will get their next meal. Feeding South Florida is committed to providing assistance to the South Florida residents living with food insecurity. They have distributed 40 million pounds of food in 2014 in Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade, and Monroe counties.

No American should have to wonder where they're getting their next meal. I join my community in raising awareness of this critical issue in the hope that every South Floridian has reliable access to nutritious food. I am proud to support Feeding South Florida in both their Hunger Action Month campaign and their day-to-day fight against hunger.

H.R. 3495

HON. EARL BLUMENAUER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 30, 2015

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Speaker, I voted against H.R. 3495, the so-called “Women’s Public Health and Safety Act,” which is just the latest attack on Planned Parenthood, an essential health service provider for 70,000 women annually in Oregon and over 2.7 million women nationally.

In my community, Planned Parenthood has provided compassionate and critical care for over 50 years and is a necessary part of our health care system. Planned Parenthood centers serve a greater share of safety-net contraceptive clients than any other type of safety-net providers. These clinics are more likely to make reproductive care accessible, and in a

timely manner, to the women who need it most.

H.R. 3495 would not only deny critical health services for low-income women, but it would undermine the entire Medicaid program. The language is so broad and vague that it could result in whole hospital systems being denied Medicaid participation—further eroding low-income individuals’ access to care.

Under this bill, a state could remove any health professional that ever worked in a health care practice of any kind that at one point was involved in providing abortion. This assault on Medicaid will result in fewer providers to serve the 72 million low-income men, women, and children covered by the program.

These attacks are appalling—they are built on misinformation and rhetoric and need to stop.

HONORING CONSTANCE BOULWARE

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 30, 2015

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of Constance Boulware a City Councilwoman for Rio Vista and one of my district’s 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, on the Twenty-Second Day of September, of the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen, Constance Boulware was recognized as a 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, upon retirement after 30 years of service with the Social Security Administration, Constance (Connie) Boulware relocated from the Bay Area to Rio Vista in 2007. While on her journey of discovery in her newly adopted hometown, she found volunteer organizations and service clubs in need of an extra pair of hands and offered hers. Over time, Connie’s interest in city government grew. She was appointed first to the Airport Committee and then to the Army Base Reuse Committee. In 2010, Connie was elected to the Rio Vista City Council and re-elected in 2014 where she serves today.

Whereas, as a council member, Connie has a particular interest in the needs of Seniors and Children. Her hallmark has been her responsiveness to constituents and her ability to bring people together to tackle community needs. In the midst of a city budget crisis, Connie has been successful in bringing volunteers together to make much needed Senior Center repairs and provide unmet summer recreational needs for children at little to no cost to the City.

Whereas, Connie also serves as President of the Solano County Library Foundation, Board Member of Rio Vision, Co-President of Women’s Improvement Club, President of the Rio Vista Lions Club, and President of the Rio Vista Soroptimists Club.

Whereas, Constance Boulware inspires with the quiet, modest and caring way she leads by example, drawing others to join her in making life better for her community. She never says, “We can’t do that,” but instead says, “Let’s see what we can do together.”

Resolved, That I Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI of California’s Third Congressional District, do hereby recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of Constance Boulware.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JESSE M. BALTAZAR ON HIS 95TH BIRTHDAY

HON. RYAN K. ZINKE

OF MONTANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 30, 2015

Mr. ZINKE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize a great American patriot, Mr. Jesse M. Baltazar, on the occasion of his 95th birthday. His service to America covers three wars, four federal agencies, postings in nine countries and government travel to over 80 nations. He is a true and tested member of the Greatest Generation.

Major Jesse M. Baltazar, USAF (Ret.) was born in Manila, Philippines on October 8th, 1920, and began his military career with the United States Armed Forces, Far East (USAFFE). He is a veteran of WWII, Korea, and Vietnam; a Japanese Prisoner of War and Bataan Death March Survivor.

During Maj. Baltazar's Purple Heart ceremony on January 20, 2015, former Chief-of-Staff of the Army Gen. Ray Odierno summarized Maj. Baltazar's career to this country as follows:

I am moved by Maj. Baltazar's humility, his selflessness, and his service to our Nation . . . It's a story about a young man from the Philippines who fought to defend both his home and our Nation following the fateful attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941; a story about a man who understands the importance of unparalleled national commitment and the willingness to volunteer and serve; a story of honor and courage; and a story about an American Patriot, Soldier, Airman, and Diplomat.

And Gen. Odierno went on to describe the bravery of Maj. Baltazar during the Battle of Bataan, which earned him the Purple Heart:

On March 15, 1942, Sergeant Baltazar was hit by shrapnel in the leg when the Japanese bombed an area near his camp. With the American and Filipino forces now having been cut off since January 1942, supplies were dwindling and facilities were limited. So he underwent surgery in an open air jungle hospital with minimal anesthesia and little time to recover. As the battle raged on and our Soldiers valiantly fought to hold the line, 76,000 American and Filipino soldiers eventually were forced to put down their arms and surrender on April 9, 1942.

When the Bataan Death March began, Sergeant Baltazar was forced to use a bamboo stick as a cane to help him walk. He suffered brutality and starvation at the hands of his Japanese captors in conditions that led to the spread of disease. Exhausted and fearing that he was going to die, he seized an opportunity to escape on the third night into the infamous 66 mile march. Hiding in a fisherman's boat for a two-hour ride through the thick swamp, Sergeant Baltazar found his way back home, where he proceeded to join the Filipino resistance movement—what an incredible example of the strength of the human spirit.

After being discharged from the army in 1945, he went on to become the first Filipino-born Officer in the United States Air Force in 1948. He served for 20 years in the Air Force, primarily overseas as a Special Agent in the Office of Special Investigations (OSI), where he authored the monthly Counter-Intelligence report for Korea (1950–52), West Berlin (1956–58) and France (1958–60). During the Korean War, he was one of a handful of

American officers posted to Korea that spoke both Russian and Chinese. During the Cold War, he was stationed in Berlin when the Berlin Wall was erected. After retiring from the military he worked for the United States Department of State, USAID and the Department of Labor. From 1966–70 with USAID, he served in Vietnam as Deputy Provincial Advisor. During the Sandinista conflict, he served as Regional Security Officer with the Voice of America for Nicaragua, Belize and Costa Rica. He retired from the State Department in 1988 and then returned as a contract employee. Maj. Baltazar continues to serve at the Department of State, where at 95, he is their eldest worker.

Maj. Baltazar received his BS from Georgetown University in Linguistics and MA from the University of Virginia in Education. He speaks seven languages, including Russian, Chinese, German, French, Spanish, English and Tagalog.

His military awards and decorations include: Bronze Star, Purple Heart, WWII Victory Medal, POW Medal, American Defense Service Medal, WWII Theater Campaign (Pacific), The Korean Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, UN Service Medal, Philippine Presidential Unit Citation, Korean Presidential Unit Citation.

Maj. Baltazar is a devoted husband and father. He has been happily married to his wife Margrit for 55 years. They have five children, Katherine, Susanne, Thomas, Phillip and Melchior, and are blessed with nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Few choose to lead a life of service like Jesse M. Baltazar. He is a living inspiration to all of us of the character, honor, and commitment required to keep our nation free. It is a great honor today to recognize him on his 95th birthday, for his dedication and sacrifice to our great country.

REMEMBERING A TOLEDO TRADITION

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 30, 2015

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a landmark business in Toledo, Ohio. Red Wells Roast Beef restaurant closed its doors this month after nearly 100 years of serving its traditional hot roast beef sandwich. As he retires, owner Richard Wells does not wish to sell the restaurant and its homemade offerings.

Legendary in West Toledo, Red Wells officially began in 1894 when Allen and Eva Wells served food in their hotels, boarding houses and saloons. After he returned from service in World War 1, their son Clark Wells—nicknamed “Red”—partnered with his father to open up a restaurant serving signature hot roast beef sandwiches. The restaurant grew quickly and in 1930 the family opened up two restaurants in downtown Toledo, one of which was the first restaurant in the city to be electrified. Richard Wells started in the family business in 1946. He persuaded the family to open up its current location on Sylvania Avenue in West Toledo in 1957.

The business continued to do well offering a menu of items first cooked by Eva Wells: in

addition to the most luscious hot roast beef sandwiches anywhere in the world, the restaurant also served such comfort food as mashed potatoes and Red Wells' famous gravy, a hot turkey sandwich, green beans, corn, pies and pudding. Richard Wells also grew the business to other locations, but it was the Sylvania Avenue restaurant that was the business' mainstay.

A gathering place for friends and family, both the regular and occasional diners of Red Wells will surely miss its homey cafeteria atmosphere, friendly staff and hearty food. Just as the restaurant was generational, so too were the diners. Patrons passed their love of Red Wells down through their children. On its last day there were so many people the restaurant could not serve them all.

As Richard Wells eases into retirement, we wish him much enjoyment spending time doing what he wishes and being with those for whom he cares. May he know that the legend that became Red Wells Roast Beef restaurant will live on in Toledo memory.

HONORING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL AND THE 95TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE JOLIET CHAPTER OF KIWANIS

HON. BILL FOSTER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 30, 2015

Mr. FOSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of the 100th anniversary of Kiwanis International and the 95th anniversary of the Joliet Chapter of Kiwanis. What began with only two members on a fateful fall day in 1914 has grown to an international organization with over 600,000 members that devote over 6 million hours of service annually. On January 21, 1915 the state of Michigan returned the corporate charter, this date has been celebrated as the birthday of Kiwanis ever since.

With their motto, “Serving the Children of the World,” Kiwanis International has done just that, improving the lives of children across the world, one child and one community at a time. Kiwanis International has reached this milestone because it has always stayed true to the six permanent Objects of Kiwanis International, which remain unchanged since their approval in 1924.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in commemorating the 100th and 95th anniversaries of Kiwanis International and the Joliet Chapter of Kiwanis as they continue their long tradition of fellowship and service.

HONORING DAWN DOWDY

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 30, 2015

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of Dawn Dowdy a track coach and mentor and one of my district's 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, on the Twenty-Second Day of September, of the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen, Dawn Dowdy was recognized as a 2015 Woman of the year.