

The theme for this year's Lakeshore Classic is "Salute to Youth Sports," bestowing honor on players and coaches who have dedicated their talents to youth sports in Northwest Indiana and made a notable impact on the region's sports programs. Along with the acknowledgment of these individuals, the Gary Chamber of Commerce has chosen an equally commendable speaker for their corporate luncheon. Mr. Lloyd McClendon has an extensive professional career in baseball. He is a former Major League Baseball player who played for the Chicago Cubs, New York Mets, Cincinnati Reds, Pittsburgh Pirates, and Cleveland Indians. Lloyd is also a former manager of the Seattle Mariners and the Pittsburgh Pirates. Originally from Gary, Indiana, Mr. McClendon played for the 1971 Gary team in the Little League World Series and earned the nickname "Legendary Lloyd" after he homered in five consecutive at bats. The 1971 team was the first all African-American team to make it to the final round of the Little League World Series. Lloyd went on to play baseball at Gary Roosevelt High School and Valparaiso University before his professional career. With his many contributions to sports in our region and across the nation, Mr. McClendon has proven to be an extraordinary example for youth involved in any sport, and he is worthy of the highest praise.

At this time, I would like to recognize the schools participating in the Lakeshore Classic basketball tournament. These schools are dedicated to achieving academic excellence and sportsmanship, and they are passionate in their efforts. The participating teams include the Gary West Side Lady Cougars, John Marshall Lady Commandos, Gary Roosevelt Panthers, East Chicago Central Cardinals, Thea Bowman Eagles, Wendell Phillips Wildcats, Gary West Side Cougars, and the Charles A. Tindley Tigers. These teams are comprised of student-athletes who serve as exceptional role models for the youth in their communities.

Mr. Speaker, at this time, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in recognizing the Gary Chamber of Commerce, the organizers and sponsors of the 8th annual Lakeshore Classic, and the dedicated honorees. Their perseverance, leadership, and commitment to our youth and Northwest Indiana are to be commended.

CONGRATULATING THE HELIAS CRUSADERS FOR THEIR THIRD PLACE FINISH IN THE 2015 CLASS 1 GIRLS GOLF STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

### HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 19, 2015

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Helias Crusaders for their third place finish in the 2015 Class 1 Girls Golf State Championship.

This team and their coach should be commended for all of their hard work throughout this past year and for bringing home third place to their school and community.

I ask you to join me in recognizing the Helias Crusaders for a job well done.

TRIBUTE TO KEVIN CARTER

### HON. JASON CHAFFETZ

OF UTAH

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 19, 2015

Mr. CHAFFETZ. Mr. Speaker, I wish to thank Mr. Kevin Carter, an outstanding citizen and leader from the State of Utah. I thank Mr. Carter for his exemplary service as Director of the Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (SITLA). Mr. Carter served as Director for nearly 12 years. In this capacity, Mr. Carter oversaw the management and administration of approximately 4.4 million acres of land for various beneficiaries, primarily public education. Under Mr. Carter's leadership, SITLA earned over \$1.3 billion and helped the Permanent School Fund grow to over \$2 billion. I thank Mr. Carter for his dedication and his impressive contributions to our State.

EMILY CURRAY

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 19, 2015

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Emily Curray for receiving the West Chamber's 2015 Celebrate Women Award. This award celebrates local women leaders with drive, perseverance and service to their community.

As an alumna of the University of Colorado School of Law, Emily has been practicing immigration law since 1996, with a focus on business immigration. Currently, Emily is managing partner of the woman-owned immigration firm Stern & Curray where she helps make the American Dream a reality for clients. Emily's passion for immigration resulted in her current role on the board of the I Have a Dream Foundation—Colorado chapter and serving as past chair of the Colorado Lawyers Committee Immigration Task Force for more than 10 years.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Emily Curray for receiving the 2015 Celebrate Women Award. Thank you for your leadership and service to the community.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA'S BELOVED GLENN DOUGLAS DENNY

### HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 19, 2015

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, it is with both profound sadness and deep gratitude that I rise to honor Glenn Douglas Denny, of Milton, Florida who passed away on November 9, 2015.

Glenn was born in Stillwater, Oklahoma to Raymond and Mary Denny. While growing up in Stillwater, Glenn displayed exceptional athletic prowess in baseball and basketball, becoming a star at Stillwater High School, where he graduated from in 1958. His athletic ability was recognized, and he received a scholarship for both basketball and baseball to Baylor

University. After one year at Baylor, he returned to Oklahoma to continue playing the sports he loved at Oklahoma Baptist University. In 1963, he graduated with a degree in mathematics and secondary education.

Upon his graduation, Glenn answered the call of duty, completing the U.S. Navy Officer Candidate School, serving on active duty for seven years with a tour in Vietnam as Commanding Officer of a barracks ship in DaNang Harbor, and serving in the Navy Reserves, retiring at the rank of Commander. Eventually, his naval career would bring him to Florida's First Congressional District, which he would call home for the remainder of his life.

In 1969, Glenn began working as a math teacher and coach at Woodham High School in Pensacola, Florida, and in 1972, he became the basketball coach and math teacher at Pace High School in Pace, Florida, while also earning a Masters of School Administration. Glenn's leadership skills and commitment to education led his selection as the first Community School Director for Santa Rosa County, Assistant Principal, and Principal of Pace High School, as well as Director of High School Education for Santa Rosa County Schools—a position he held until his retirement in 1997.

Glenn's retirement years were filled with quality family time, cross country travel in his motor home, and golf outings with family and friends. Glenn was also a man of faith, and was a long time member of the First Baptist Church of Milton.

To some Glenn Denny will be remembered as a patriot and veteran who served our Nation with honor and distinction, to others he will be remembered as an educator who used his passion for sports and commitment to education to serve the students of Northwest Florida, to his family and friends, Glenn will always be remembered as a loving and devoted husband, father, and grandfather. His impact on Northwest Florida was immense, and his legacy will live on forever.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the House of Representatives, I am proud to honor the memory of Glenn Denny. Vicki and I will keep his entire family, especially his wife of 54 years, Joanne; his son, Scott and daughter-in-law Cathy; his son Bryan and daughter-in-law Flavia; his grandchildren, Matthew, Brittany, Michael, Gabriel, Mateus, and Stella; as well as his brother Paul and sister-in-law Kathy in our thoughts and prayers.

EPILEPSY AWARENESS MONTH REMARKS

### HON. JAMES R. LANGEVIN

OF RHODE ISLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 19, 2015

Mr. LANGEVIN. Mr. Speaker, November is National Epilepsy Awareness Month. Epilepsy affects more than 2.8 million Americans, almost 10,000 of whom reside in my home state of Rhode Island. For the majority of those diagnosed with this condition, there is no known cause. Furthermore, one-third of people living with Epilepsy have seizures that can't be controlled with current treatments.

Richard and Deb Siravo tragically lost their five-year-old son Matty to Epilepsy in 2003. However, they chose to turn their tragedy into

action and founded The Matty Fund. They didn't want other families facing similar challenges to go without help, and they dedicated themselves to raising awareness, providing family resources and improving the lives of children and families living with Epilepsy.

I'm so proud of the work that the Matty Fund does in Rhode Island, and I encourage everyone to take a moment and reflect on what they can do to support Epilepsy awareness, not just during November, but all year long.

DANA RINDERKNECHT

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 19, 2015*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Dana Rinderknecht for receiving the West Chamber's 2015 Celebrate Women Award. This award celebrates local women leaders with drive, perseverance and service to their community.

Dana began her career with Coors Brewing Company and then became involved with ColoradoGives.org at Community First Foundation where she helped refine the website to make it accessible, affordable and transparent. She helped take the organization from a small Denver-area organization serving 100 nonprofits to a nationally-recognized program used by more than 1,700 organizations across the state. She also helped start Colorado Gives Day to increase philanthropy across the state. Since its inception, Colorado Gives Day—in combination with ColoradoGives—has raised more than \$117 million for Colorado nonprofits.

Dana's energy and sense of humor she brings to her work helps foster a positive and creative environment. Her encouragement of others and her contribution to the nonprofit community has helped impact the lives of many.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Dana Rinderknecht for receiving the 2015 Celebrate Women Award. Thank you for your leadership and service to the community.

**INTRODUCTION OF THE ORGANIC ACT OF GUAM ELECTION REFORM ACT OF 2015**

**HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO**

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 19, 2015*

Ms. BORDALLO. Mr. Speaker, today I am introducing legislation to amend the Organic Act of Guam to prohibit salary changes for the Governor of Guam, the Lieutenant Governor of Guam, and Senators of the Guam Legislature until after a general election of the Legislature has passed. My bill also removes the federally mandated five-year residency requirement for individuals to run for governor, lieutenant governor, and senator of the Guam Legislature, and gives the authority to set this requirement to local policymakers and the people of Guam.

The Organic Act of Guam establishes the framework of the Government of Guam and,

among others, provides for qualifications and manner of elections of the Governor of Guam, the Lieutenant Governor of Guam and members of the Guam Legislature. Currently the Organic Act is silent on provisions regarding changes in salary for the Governor, Lt. Governor, or local Guam Legislature and changes can be made and implemented at any time simply by changing local law. Over the past several months, local policymakers and the people of Guam have debated pay increases that were proposed and instituted shortly after last year's general election. While I believe that these issues are up to local policymakers, and ultimately the people of Guam to decide, the Organic Act should provide safeguards regarding salaries for these elected officials that will prevent divisiveness in our community. The bill that I am introducing today would prevent the Governor, Lt. Governor, and Senators from increasing their salaries until after an intervening election of the Legislature has occurred. This is similar to the 27th Amendment to the Constitution that prohibits Members of Congress from increasing their pay until after an intervening election, and it is consistent with a request made by the Guam Legislature for me to introduce an amendment to the Organic Act for this purpose.

Additionally, the bill I am introducing will make it easier for individuals to participate in Guam elections by removing the federally-mandated five-year residency requirement for individuals to run for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Senator, and placing this authority with local Guam law. I believe that we should provide for greater opportunities to participate in government, and that the qualifications for local elected offices should be vested in the laws of Guam. Placing a federal mandate on the qualifications for Guam's Governor, Lt. Governor, and Senators ignores Guam's political maturity and is contrary to the ideals of our representative democracy. These decisions should be made by local policymakers and the people of Guam, not the U.S. Congress. The bill also puts Guam on equal footing with most of America, where state laws, not federal mandates, govern who can run for local elected offices.

This bill is a step towards improving accountability for elected officials on Guam and encourages more participation in our government. The bill is also consistent with public opinion in Guam and the views expressed by the Guam Legislature. I encourage its adoption and urge my colleague to pass this legislation.

**PERSONAL EXPLANATION**

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 19, 2015*

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I was not present during roll call vote number 637 on November 18, 2015 due to a previously scheduled appointment.

I would like to reflect that on roll call vote number 637 I would have voted NO.

**REMEMBERING THE HISTORIC MEETING BETWEEN TAIWAN AND CHINA PRESIDENTS**

**HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 19, 2015*

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, as someone, who since 1978 has followed with great interest the tinder box of South East Asia, the recent meeting between Taiwan's President Ma Ying-jeou and China's President Xi Jinping is an historic event that I did not think I would see in my lifetime.

On November 7 of this year, Taiwan's President Ma Ying-jeou and China's President Xi Jinping met in Singapore. The two leaders shook hands, gave speeches and discussed cross-Strait relations.

Before Taiwan's President Ma took office in 2008, the relationship between Taiwan and China was severely strained. The conflict over Pacific Island ownership and dispute over many other issues portends problems that could threaten peace in the region.

We greatly appreciate President Ma's initiative and leadership in pursuing this meeting and reducing tension along the Taiwan Strait.

With the recent tragedy in Paris and the increased violence in the Middle East, it is so vital that there is peace along the Taiwan Strait.

We look forward to seeing even greater peace and stability in the region as a result of this historic meeting between these two Presidents and view it as a first step on a long road.

DR. MARGIE BALL-COOK

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 19, 2015*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Dr. Margie Ball-Cook for receiving the West Chamber's 2015 Celebrate Women Award. This award celebrates local women leaders with drive, perseverance and service to their community.

Born in Beaumont, Texas, Dr. Ball-Cook has dedicated her life to helping others and the health care industry. She graduated as valedictorian of her high school class and went on to receive her Doctorate in Psychology from the University of Denver. Since then, she has helped establish nursing schools in both Colorado and Africa.

Currently, Dr. Ball-Cook heads the Global Health Commission of the National Black Nurses Association and was one of the founding members of Colorado Council of Black Nurses (CCBN). She has mentored and advised hundreds of students interested in medical and health careers toward their career goals, including those with low means who wish to pursue a profession in medicine.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Dr. Margie Ball-Cook for receiving the 2015 Celebrate Women Award. Thank you for your leadership and service to the community.