

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

ANNOUNCING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2016 CONGRESSIONAL VETERAN COMMENDATION FOR THE 16TH DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

**HON. ADAM KINZINGER**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 2016 recipients of the Congressional Veteran Commendation in the 16th District of Illinois.

The eight veterans receiving this commendation have served this country honorably and fought for the freedoms we hold dearly. These veterans answered their country's call during World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War, and they served with honor and distinction. As a fellow war veteran, I thank them for their patriotism and sacrifices on behalf of our nation.

After these veterans served their country, they came home to serve their communities. They are civic leaders, active citizens, and many continue to serve their military brothers and sisters through veteran service organizations. Although their mission has changed since returning to civilian life, their leadership and tenacity have not.

The recipients of the 2016 Congressional Veteran Commendation are: Lance Corporal Glenn Borvansky of Marseilles, IL; Seaman Charles R. Brown of Diamond, IL; Sergeant John F. Duback of Ottawa, IL; Specialist Four Wayne A. Eichelkraut of Ottawa, IL; Sergeant Mervin Eutis of Grand Ridge, IL; Master Sergeant Glen Maubach of Blackstone, IL; Specialist Five Harold R. Olsen of Arlington, IL; and Specialist Five Richard Sanders of Dixon, IL.

I am honored to be able to recognize these notable veterans. The recipients of this commendation serve as the embodiment of both military and civil service, and it is my hope they will inspire the next generation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. GRACE F. NAPOLITANO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, I was absent due to a delayed flight into Washington. Had I been present, I would have voted yea on H.R. 5388 (Roll Call No. 335).

IN CELEBRATION OF MRS. EVEREE JIMERSON CLARKE'S 90TH BIRTHDAY

**HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. HASTINGS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 90th birthday of Mrs. Everee Jimerson Clarke of Pleasant City, Florida.

Everee was born on July 6, 1926, to Cynthia and Reverend William Jimerson in Pleasant City, Florida. While she moved to Jacksonville, Florida, as a child, she continued to maintain a strong connection with her hometown. She would regularly visit Pleasant City and attended Industrial High School.

She attended college at the historically Black institution Lincoln University, before moving to New York to attend Julliard School of Music in the dance department. In 1960, she established the Everee School of Charm and Dance, while also becoming a political activist in Newark, New Jersey.

Since she returned back to Pleasant City in 1965, she has been active in local politics and business development. In 1975 and 1976, Everee was recognized by "Who's Who in Among Black Americans." In 1987, she was appointed by Governor Bob Martinez and the Florida Senate to serve on the Broward County Historic Preservation Board of Trustees.

Pleasant City is the oldest African American Community in Palm Beach County. She has been committed to preserving its history and providing educational and cultural events, as well as opportunities for its descendants.

Everee has received numerous awards for her service, including the Community Service Award from the Black Educators Caucus and the Daughters of the American Revolution. She was also awarded the Historic Preservation Award from the City of West Palm Beach, and the Fannie James Pioneer Achievement Award from the historical Society of Palm Beach County.

Mr. Speaker, on this momentous occasion, please join me in honoring Mrs. Everee Jimerson Clarke for her life of service and commitment to cultural preservation. I wish her a very happy 90th birthday, and many more years success and happiness to come.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. RICHARD L. HANNA**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. HANNA. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call Number 334 on H.R. 5525, I am not recorded because I was absent due to a weather-related flight cancellation. Had I been present, I would have voted Aye.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. TOM GRAVES**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call No. 334, I was absent due to inclement weather. Had I been present, I would have vote Yes.

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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. GRACE F. NAPOLITANO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, I was absent due to a delayed flight into Washington. Had I been present, I would have voted yea on H.R. 5389 (Roll Call No. 336).

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. J. FRENCH HILL**

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. HILL. Mr. Speaker, on roll call no. 334, the End Taxpayer Funded Cell Phones Act of 2016, had I been present, I would have voted YEA.

HONORING MARIE SPAK UPON HER RETIREMENT

**HON. JOE COURTNEY**

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the distinguished service of Marie Spak who will retire after 43 years as office manager in the State Attorney's office at the Tolland Judicial District.

I had the special privilege of witnessing Marie's diligent work for many years. First when I was an Assistant Public Defender and later as an attorney in private practice. Marie started her work with the judicial branch for the State of Connecticut in East Hartford during September of 1973. In 1974, she joined the State Attorney's Office, where she worked with four different State's Attorneys during her tenure. She is finishing her service as the most senior member of AFSCME in the Division of Criminal Justice.

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I had the privilege of witnessing her admirable and dedicated efforts during these years. Her command of the office operations, getting cases ready for court, lining up witnesses, and executing judgments for trials, probation, and incarcerations was outstanding. Her ability to perform was also shown in Marie never making a single mistake in the thousands of files she worked on. I honestly do not remember Marie ever making a mistake in the thousands of files she worked on, dealing with very sensitive issues such as citizens' property and personal freedom. She is extraordinary.

I also want to express my admiration for the way she handled all of the stress, drama, and emotion that were part of the office environment, day in and day out. Marie was incredibly "cool, calm, and collected" in that arena, while at the same time always willing to listen and help visitors to the office, if she could. Marie always had a sense of humor—there were days when life in the Tolland Judicial District felt like a sitcom, with laughs and eye rolls.

Also, at the same time, Marie balanced family life as a devoted daughter, wife, and mother. When I talked with Marie about her family, it was clear to me that they appropriately always came first. Now, Marie embarks on this new chapter of her life, with the ability to spend more, well deserved, time with her family. I would like to thank her again for her outstanding service for 43 years and for setting an example of diligent, hard work for the public good for our state and region.

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#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, due to an unforeseen conflict, I unavoidably missed the following votes on June 21, 2016.

Had I been present I would have voted as follows:

On roll call No. 334, I would have voted "nay" (June 21) (On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 5525, "End Taxpayer Funded Cell Phones Act of 2016.")

On roll call No. 335, I would have voted "yea" (June 21) (On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 5388, "Support for Rapid Innovation Act of 2016.")

On roll call No. 336, I would have voted "yea" (June 21) (On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 5389, "Leveraging Emerging Technologies Act of 2016.")

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#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. GRACE F. NAPOLITANO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, I was absent due to a delayed flight into Washington. Had I been present, I would have voted nay on H.R. 5525 (Roll Call No. 334).

#### IN RECOGNITION OF ALDER CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL RECEIVING A SCHOOLS TO WATCH AWARD

### HON. TOM McCLINTOCK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. McCLINTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and congratulate the students, faculty, and staff of Alder Creek Middle School in Truckee, California for receiving the 2016 Schools to Watch award, which is presented to the top 145 middle schools nationwide. This is a great accomplishment for Alder Creek and Northern California.

The Schools to Watch award recognizes Alder Creek's academic excellence, developmental responsiveness, and social equity after a rigorous review process to identify middle schools achieving excellence in each category.

Alder Creek has exemplified academic excellence by challenging its students and encouraging them to use their minds in ways that surpass typical middle school curriculum. The instruction and assessment at schools recognized for receiving the Schools to Watch award are aligned with ideals that focus on every student's understanding of essential concepts and skills that are applicable beyond the classroom. The teaching methods at Alder Creek involve a variety of engaging and effective activities, allowing students' talents to flourish.

Additionally, Alder Creek is praised for its ability to successfully address and accommodate the various developmental challenges of early adolescence and the needs of each of its students. Alder Creek provides each student with a personalized environment that supports unique ethical, social, physical, and intellectual aspects of development. Alder Creek's teachers support every student's curiosity and creativity in a well-organized, encouraging environment coupled with relevant curriculum catered to the personal interests of the adolescents.

Mr. Speaker, Alder Creek Middle School has earned a prestigious spot as one of the best in the country. I am honored to share this proud moment with the nation and congratulate Alder Creek's faculty, staff, and students on their tremendous accomplishment.

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#### HONORING K-9 OFFICER DARA AND OFFICER ANDREW KALET

### HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. KATKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize K-9 Officer Dara and her handler, Officer Andrew Kalet, of the City of Auburn Police Department, for their valiant actions in quickly apprehending and securing a dangerous and high risk suspect who fled police on February 26, 2013.

The fleeing suspect had attempted to dispose of valuable evidence, but thanks to K-9 Officer Dara's fearless and efficient actions, officers were able to recover this evidence, and no officers were hurt while working to apprehend the suspect.

Though K-9 Officer Dara is now retired, her actions secured the safety of everyone involved in a volatile situation and she deserves to be properly recognized for her heroic actions. I am honored to pay tribute to K-9 Officer Dara and Officer Andrew Kalet for their brave actions that led to a safe ending of a tense situation.

I would also like to recognize all K-9 Officers and their handlers for the extraordinary work they do each and every day. K-9 Officers approach every situation, no matter how dangerous with complete and total confidence and fearlessness to protect their human partners. K-9 Officers are an asset to all law enforcement and I am proud to recognize them for their service.

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#### PERSONALIZE YOUR CARE ACT 2.0

### HON. EARL BLUMENAUER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Speaker, one of the most difficult and challenging situations any family faces is dealing with circumstances surrounding end of life. From sweeping changes to how care is delivered, to the rise of personalized medicine, patients today have more treatment options than ever before. With these medical advances, the line between life and death can sometimes be blurred, which has changed the way we must talk about how we want to live and die.

There is substantial evidence that suggests the care individuals want to receive at the end of life is not necessarily the type of care they do receive. Oftentimes patients receive aggressive treatment that not only substantially shortens the length of life, but the quality. Other times, patients find the health care system undervalues the quality of their life, withholding treatments they would otherwise want to receive.

To this end, individuals should have the opportunity to participate actively in making decisions about their health care throughout their lives and receive care consistent with their values, goals, and informed preferences. Patients should feel empowered to make informed choice about the health care they want and to have their care decisions honored by their providers and family.

During the Affordable Care Act debate, I saw an opportunity to apply lessons learned in Oregon with its landmark comprehensive palliative care programs that give patients more of a say about the medical treatment they want at the end of life. I worked to ensure that Congress included a payment for doctors to talk to patients and families about advance care planning in the Affordable Care Act. Unfortunately, this provision wasn't included in the final legislation due to a breakdown of the legislative process.

Last year, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) finalized a new benefit, allowing doctors to receive reimbursement to have voluntary advance care planning conversations with their patients. For the first time, the federal government has placed a value on these critical doctor-patient discussions.

Yet my work to improve end-of-life care is far from over, and it is for these reasons that

I am introducing the bipartisan Personalize Your Care Act 2.0, legislation that will strengthen end-of-life care by establishing new models of care delivery that will better manage advanced illness, improve quality of care, and enhance training, resources, and tools for providers, patients, and their families.

Ideally, health care should work in sync with social, psychological, and spiritual support as the end of life approaches. Care near the end of life must be patient-centered and family-oriented. This legislation is supported by patient advocates, physicians, nurses, and the faith community, who understand how advance care planning fundamentally improves quality of care and quality of life. To that end, I ask my colleagues to join me and support this important piece of legislation.

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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. JOE COURTNEY**

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, I was delayed in my return to Washington, D.C. due to inclement weather and missed the following votes. Had I been present, I would have voted:

“No” on roll call No. 334, on the End Taxpayer Funded Cell Phones Act of 2016 (H.R. 5525); and,

“Yes” on roll call No. 335, on the Support for Rapid Innovation Act of 2016 (H.R. 5388); and,

“Yes” on roll call No. 336, on Leveraging Emerging Technologies Act of 2016 (H.R. 5389).

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HONORING WAYNE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTY CRAIG PAGNOTTI

**HON. JOHN KATKO**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. KATKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Deputy Craig Pagnotti of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department. On Saturday, May 28, 2016, Deputy Pagnotti apprehended two different suspects, each on a separate felony charge, over the course of the day.

On May 28, around 9:00 a.m., Deputy Pagnotti responded to a domestic complaint in Lyons, New York. Upon arrival, the suspect, who had an outstanding warrant for his arrest, fled the scene on foot. Without hesitation, Deputy Pagnotti pursued and apprehended the suspect, pulling a tendon in his arm while taking the suspect into custody. Deputy Pagnotti was admitted to the hospital, where he received a cast for his injured arm.

Shortly after being discharged from the hospital, Deputy Pagnotti continued with his shift and pulled over a vehicle for speeding, just outside of Arcadia, New York. After Deputy Pagnotti discovered drugs in the vehicle, the suspect fled on foot, striking the Deputy in the face and arm. Shortly after the suspect was apprehended, Deputy Pagnotti was taken to the hospital and diagnosed with a broken left arm.

I am honored to recognize Deputy Pagnotti for his heroic actions on May 28, 2016. Dep-

uty Pagnotti's efforts in this situation exemplify the commitment and dedication of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department. I want to thank Deputy Pagnotti and all those serving in law enforcement in Wayne County and throughout the 24th District.

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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. J. FRENCH HILL**

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. HILL. Mr. Speaker, on roll call No. 335 the Support for Rapid Innovation Act of 2016, had I been present, I would have voted Yea.

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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. RICHARD L. HANNA**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. HANNA. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call Number 335 on H.R. 5388, I am not recorded because I was absent due to a weather-related flight cancellation. Had I been present, I would have voted Aye.

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TRIBUTE TO TROOPER SHAUN SMITH

**HON. JOHN KATKO**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. KATKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Trooper Shaun Smith of the New York State Police. On Thursday, June 2, 2016, Trooper Smith saved the life of a 12-year old child.

On June 2, Trooper Smith, who was off-duty at the time, was swimming laps at the Norwest Family YMCA in Lysander, New York, when he noticed a 12-year old suddenly go into cardiac arrest and fall underneath the water. With the help of the 12-year old's friend, Trooper Smith pulled the boy out of the water and immediately began administering CPR. Shortly after, a lifeguard assisted in applying an AED to the 12-year old boy. Trooper Smith was also assisted by a registered nurse and a respiratory therapist who happened to be in the area during the event.

I am honored to recognize Trooper Smith for his heroic actions on June 2, 2016. The 12-year old boy is now fully recovered thanks to his brave actions. Trooper Smith's efforts in this situation exemplify the dedication of the New York State Police. I want to thank Trooper Smith and all New York State Police officers for their bravery and commitment to serving our communities.

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IN RECOGNITION OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL SEAN C. BRAZIEL

**HON. DUNCAN HUNTER**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. HUNTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate the service of Lieu-

tenant Colonel Sean C. Braziel, who serves as the Strategic Operations Officer for the Marine Corps Intelligence Activity (MCIA). Sean will retire from the Marine Corps on September 1st, 2016, after 20 years of distinguished and faithful service to this great nation. Throughout his unique career, Lieutenant Colonel Braziel has had the opportunity to serve our country in capacities that span intelligence analysis, policy, and operations.

Prior to his current assignment, Lieutenant Colonel Braziel served as the head of Intelligence Plans and Policy for Headquarters Marine Corps, and as the Marine Corps liaison officer to the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) where he planned sensitive, strategic operations and briefed cabinet-level officials to positively affect U.S. national security objectives. At the CIA, he also served as the chief of crisis operations, leading joint military and interagency teams to more than 27 countries serving in combat operations on 13 separate deployments in Iraq, Afghanistan, and other contingency areas. As a major, Lieutenant Colonel Braziel served as the intelligence officer for the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit where he led the intelligence effort for crisis and contingency operations, and integrated the first Marine Special Operations Company detachment to deploy aboard U.S. Navy shipping. Sean was the head of the Imagery Branch for MCIA where he tasked and integrated national collection assets to support Marine Corps and Navy operations in the wake of 9/11. He also served as the Air Combat Element intelligence officer for the 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit, the air combat intelligence officer, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, and the Marine Aircraft Group-16 intelligence officer.

In addition to his distinguished career as a Marine, Sean has used his talents to inspire the youth of this nation as a head coach for junior hockey and is a volunteer coach and speaker to USA Hockey's National Team Development Program in Plymouth, Michigan. He has led and developed athletes and diverse teams toward success, including the 2015 U-18 AA Youth Hockey National Championship. He has spoken at the semi-annual NCAA Division I Coaches Symposium on ethics in coaching and leading elite teams.

Lieutenant Colonel Braziel is married to the former Janet Jumper of Burke, VA. He has one son, Collin, and he and Janet have two daughters, Claire and Chelsea. The love and support of his family has aided and strengthened Sean throughout his service and I congratulate them as well on this special occasion. I am proud to share in the celebration of Lieutenant Colonel Braziel's military career. As he and his family move to this next chapter of life, I wish Sean "fair winds and following seas" as he embarks on his future endeavors. Semper Fidelis, Marine.

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SIT-IN PROTEST ON GUN SAFETY LEGISLATION

**HON. TERRI A. SEWELL**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Ms. SEWELL of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with my colleagues sitting in on the House floor in tribute to the victims of the Orlando nightclub shooting and all those who

have lost their lives or loved ones to senseless gun violence. Congress has repeatedly failed to pass gun safety measures that would protect our communities while preserving the rights of responsible gun owners. While I am a staunch supporter of the Second Amendment, I believe that strengthening background checks, eliminating gun show loopholes, and preventing potential terrorists from acquiring assault weapons will not limit the rights of lawful gun owners to protect and defend themselves. Make no mistake; this is not an attempt to take guns away from law-abiding citizens—these are commonsense gun safety measures. We must set aside party politics and work together in the best interests of our nation to reduce gun violence and senseless killings.

Mr. Speaker, the rising tide of gun violence continues to claim far too many lives. It's time for Congress to act. I urge my colleagues to take up gun safety measures that will protect our families and our communities. We cannot continue to mourn these tragedies without doing all we can to prevent them.

**HONORING SUSAN LUCKIE REILLY  
ON THE OCCASION OF HER 100TH  
BIRTHDAY AND HER MANY CON-  
TRIBUTIONS TO THE JOSHUA  
TREE NATIONAL PARK**

**HON. RAUL RUIZ**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. RUIZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 100th birthday of Ms. Susan Luckie Reilly. Susan is a former ranger at Joshua Tree National Park and she was born in 1916, the same year the National Park Service (NPS) was founded.

Ms. Reilly is a graduate of Stanford University, where she studied psychology, sociology, and political science, and went on to join the NPS in 1965 where she worked as a seasonal ranger and naturalist for Joshua Tree National Park. It was in the desert where she developed a life-long love for conservation efforts and preservation of the desert area.

In 1969, Ms. Reilly founded the Morongo Basin Conservation Association (MBCA), a successful grassroots effort to prevent a utility company from degrading wildlife and the natural beauty of the Morongo Basin in order to run a massive power transmission corridor straight through the heart of the basin. The MBCA has remained committed to advocating for the safety, health, and preservation of the desert area.

In 2004, Ms. Reilly was the recipient of the prestigious Minerva Hoyt Award, which recognizes individuals that promote conservation efforts and leave a lasting impact on California deserts. In 2013, she was awarded the Women of Distinction Award from Congressman PAUL COOK, an honor bestowed on women who demonstrate outstanding leadership and integrity.

Mr. Speaker, Ms. Reilly has been an inspiration to both her community and this country throughout her 100 years on this Earth. Let's all join in celebrating this special day with her and wishing her a happy 100th Birthday.

SHEILA WHITE

**HON. STEVE COHEN**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, this week marks the 10th anniversary of the landmark Supreme Court ruling in *Burlington Northern & Santa Fe Railway Co. v. White*. The Court held, unanimously, that workers who stand up against workplace discrimination are entitled to protection against a broad array of retaliatory actions by their employers.

The case, and the vital precedent that it set—that the scope of the Civil Rights Act of 1964's, "antiretaliation provision extends beyond workplace-related or employment related retaliatory acts and harms"—would not have been possible but for the courage of my constituent, Sheila White, from Memphis, Tennessee.

In 1997, Ms. White was working as a forklift operator at the Tennessee Yard of Burlington Northern & Santa Fe Railway. At the time she was the only woman in her department.

Ms. White complained that her supervisor had been sexually harassing her.

The company disciplined her supervisor, but also reassigned Ms. White to a less desirable position.

After Ms. White filed a complaint with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the railway suspended her without pay for more than a month for insubordination.

Ms. White's story is a true profile in courage. Even though the company eventually found that she was not insubordinate, reinstated her and gave her backpay, she nonetheless persisted with her lawsuit to set the record straight. She knew, and the Supreme Court ultimately agreed, that the way she had been treated fell far short of the protections established by Congress in the Civil Rights Act.

As Justice Breyer explained, "The significance of the congressional judgment that victims of intentional discrimination can recover compensatory and punitive damages to make them whole would be undermined if employers could avoid liability in these circumstances. . . . An indefinite suspension without pay could well act as a deterrent to the filing of a discrimination complaint, even if the suspended employee eventually received backpay."

As we commemorate the 10th anniversary of this case, I want to publicly thank Ms. White—for her bravery, for her perseverance, and for her continued leadership on behalf of workplace fairness. Our nation is better because of Sheila White.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. LOUISE McINTOSH SLAUGHTER**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained and missed Roll Call vote numbers 334, 335, and 336. Had I been

present, I would have voted nay on Roll Call vote number 334 and aye on both Roll Call votes 335 and 336.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. EARL BLUMENAUER**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Speaker, like many of my colleagues, I missed votes on three bills, considered under the suspension of the rules, due to inclement weather.

Had I been present for the vote on H.R. 5525, the End Taxpayer Funded Cell Phones Act of 2016, I would have emphatically voted "no." This misguided legislation would severely undermine the Lifeline program, a program critical to public safety and an important part of the pathway out of poverty. Low-income Americans, whether they are elderly, disabled, low-income veterans, victims of domestic violence, or part of another vulnerable group, need access to 9–1–1 services and job opportunities, a key purpose of the Lifeline program. This vital program should be expanded, not restricted. The majority has no business bringing it up under suspension of the rules.

On H.R. 5388, the Support for Rapid Innovation Act of 2016, I would have voted "yes." This bill would require the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to research ways to improve the nation's cybersecurity systems and disseminate their finds with other relevant federal departments and agencies, industry and academia.

On H.R. 5389, the Leveraging Emerging Technologies Act of 2016, I would have voted "yes." The bill would require DHS to create a strategic plan to partner with technology developers and firms to combat cyberthreats.

CRYSTAL CLINE IS A BOWLING  
CHAMPION

**HON. PETE OLSON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Crystal Cline for winning the 2016 Texas High School Bowling Girls' singles championship.

Crystal Cline is a student at Morton Ranch High School in Katy, Texas. She was selected as one of 65 elite students from the state to participate in the tournament. She averaged a score of 201 in the qualifying round, earning her the 13th seed moving forward. In the semifinals, Crystal eliminated the 2015 girls' champion. She won the final round with a solid score of 222–173. We are proud of Crystal, and can't wait to see what she does next.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Morton Ranch's Crystal Cline for winning the 2016 Texas High School Bowling Girls' singles championship. Thank you for bringing this awesome championship to the Katy School District.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. J. FRENCH HILL**

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. HILL. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall no. 336, the Leveraging Emerging Technologies Act of 2016, had I been present, I would have voted YEA.

## RECOGNIZING IVAN MARAS

**HON. RODNEY DAVIS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ivan Maras, a veteran, retired teacher, and Congressional Gold Medal recipient.

When he was drafted by the Army during the Korean War, Ivan was permitted to finish his college degree before enlistment. In 1953, he left his hometown of Bulpitt and was shipped to South Korea, where he was assigned to serve in the 65th Infantry Regiment, known as the Borinqueneers. Earlier this year, the entire regiment was honored with the Congressional Gold Medal for their valiant service and devotion to duty.

When Ivan joined the 65th, it was a unit of predominantly Puerto Rican soldiers that had been recently integrated. He soon found himself in the heat of the action on the front lines at Inchon, where he described the explosions to be "like the Fourth of July every night."

Ivan learned that some men in the regiment were unable to read and write, so he and others set up tents to start teaching. He then spent the remainder of his enlistment using his college degree to teach at a makeshift school established by the military in Korea.

After the war, Ivan returned to central Illinois where he worked as a teacher in Kincaid for nearly fifty years.

I am proud to represent soldiers like Ivan who go above and beyond the call of duty every day. I am honored to serve the brave men and women who sacrificed so much for our country. Congratulations on this prestigious honor, Ivan.

## TRIBUTE TO SUSAN MCKEE

**HON. KEN CALVERT**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to an individual whose dedication and contributions to Riverside County, California, are exceptional. On June 22nd, Sue McKee will be retiring from the University of California, Riverside (UCR) after nearly 25 years of dedicated service.

Sue is the Assistant Vice Chancellor of Governmental and Community Relations at UCR

and she has worked tirelessly in that role as an advocate for UCR at the local, state, and federal levels. Her more recent accomplishments include securing funding for the first public medical school in California in over 40 years and relocating the California Air Resources Board (CARB) air pollution lab to the UCR campus. This new CARB facility, combined with UCR's existing related expertise through its Center for Environmental Research and Technology, will make Riverside the world's center for transportation and air quality research—and, in large part, this achievement is thanks to Sue McKee.

Sue is a wife, a mother, and an amazing champion for the Inland Empire. In addition to serving UCR, she has served her community by advocating for those less fortunate and mentoring the next generation of Inland Empire leaders and advocates. Sue serves as the Chair of the Riverside County's Community Action Partnership and is a former Program Chair for Leadership Riverside through the Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce. Sue also has donated her time to the Childhood Cancer Foundation of Southern California, the Raincross Group, and the Regional Advisory Board of the Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Inland Empire.

I have had the privilege of knowing Sue McKee for nearly 20 years. During that time, I have found her to be the best kind of advocate through her compassion, intellect, sense of humor, and her commitment to UCR's mission to serve its students and the region. I applaud Sue's service and I will truly miss working with her upon her retirement. However, her service and her achievements will have a longstanding and truly positive impact on our community.

JOE ADAMS RETIRES FROM KATY  
ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES**HON. PETE OLSON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Joe Adams on his retirement from the Katy Independent School District (KISD) Board of Trustees, after serving 27 years.

When Mr. Adams attended his first school groundbreaking 27 years ago, there was nothing but prairie to the west of this brand new elementary school. Since the beginning of Adams' tenure on the board, the area has transformed into a booming, busy suburban district. The Katy ISD enrollment has also increased by 53,000 with 41 new schools opening under his watch. Adams fondest memories are standing on the stage at graduations and congratulating outgoing KISD seniors on their accomplishments. The residents of Katy have been well served by his leadership in helping ensure a strong education for our students.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations and thank you to Joe Adams for his 27 years of service on the Katy ISD board of trustees. We appreciate your service and dedication to Katy.

RED ROCKS COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
INNOVATION CHALLENGE**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the team from Red Rocks Community College on becoming a finalist for a second year in a row in the National Science Foundation's Community College Innovation Challenge. This program serves as an innovative way for community college students to partner with local industries to create pioneering STEM-based solutions for real world issues. The Community College Innovation Challenge is an important example of encouraging STEM education and research for our nation's students and future leaders. I congratulate all of the competition's participants for their work on a variety of important projects.

The Red Rocks Team tackled water conservation which has become a critical issue in the western United States as we tackle long-term drought and the demand for water resources increases. Cooling towers are used in large office and industrial buildings for air conditioning. Through typical use of cooling towers, these systems must discharge and then replace water to continue operation in a process called blow down. These students have worked to improve the efficiency of the blow down process through reverse osmosis, ion exchange, and various filter media which reduces water consumption and saves money. This advance is important for reducing water consumption and can be scaled up for commercial deployment across the country.

I congratulate the Red Rocks Team of Matt Armijo, Mike Fisher, Sean Kelly, Valeria Mokrushova, Danny Rogers, and their faculty advisory Jeremy Beard for their success. I applaud these students for their dedication to this important project and their leadership and commitment to STEM education blazing a path for our country's future leaders and innovators. I am proud of the work Red Rocks Community College does every day and I look forward to seeing what the school and these students accomplish in the years to come.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. JOAQUIN CASTRO**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Mr. Speaker, my vote was not recorded yesterday. I was absent because my flight was delayed by the poor weather in the Washington, D.C. area. Had I been present, I would have voted as follows: Roll Call No. 334: NAY; Roll Call No. 335: AYE; and Roll Call No. 336: AYE.

IN RECOGNITION OF INVESTIGATOR JEAN PIERRE GRILLO UPON HIS RETIREMENT

**HON. JOE COURTNEY**

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Jean Pierre Grillo who will retire after 26 years as Investigator for the State's Attorney's office at the Tolland Judicial District, located in Union, Connecticut. The State's Attorney's office handles all prosecution of criminal offenses from minor infractions to major felonies. The Investigator's role is to be a liaison between all police departments, local and state, as well as to coordinate the State's Attorney's arraignments, bond hearings, trials, and sentencing. Jean Paul, or J.P. as he is known, has done an outstanding job over the last 26 years handling these tasks.

I have been privileged to see Investigator Grillo's work up close. Before assuming his duties 26 years ago, J.P. had a 17 year law enforcement career with the Norwich and Danielson Police Departments. Investigator Grillo is also a Veteran who served with the U.S. Naval Reserves.

It was clear that J.P.'s analysis and judgment of the cases he handled was considered invaluable by the attorneys he worked with. In essence, he was a de facto attorney when it came to strategy and tactics in handling cases. I can attest to the fact that J.P.'s experience working as a police officer and his innate sense of fairness were invaluable assets to the attorneys he assisted.

I admire the respectful way he interacted with visitors to the office and courtroom. Criminal courts are high stress environments and people walk in confused and anxious. He always treated people courteously and politely which kept the pace in the building day in and day out.

I would like to congratulate Investigator Grillo on an outstanding career, and for setting such an incredible example for us all in how to use the public trust that working for the people of Connecticut involves. It has been a pleasure having him in the State's Attorney's Office, and I wish him and his family all the best in this new, exciting chapter of their lives.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. ERIK PAULSEN**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call Numbers 334 through 336, I was not present due to airplane flight delays caused by inclement weather. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye" on Roll Call Vote No. 334, "aye" on Roll Call Vote No. 335, and "aye" on Roll Call Vote No. 336.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

**HON. MIKE COFFMAN**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 20, 2009, the day President Obama took office, the national debt was \$10,626,877,048,913.08.

Today, it is \$19,256,656,157,468.52. We've added \$8,629,779,108,555.44 to our debt in 6 years. This is over \$7.5 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. RICHARD L. HANNA**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. HANNA. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call Number 336 on H.R. 5389, I am not recorded because I was absent due to a weather-related flight cancellation. Had I been present, I would have voted Aye.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF JULIA MAE PRIMUS

**HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. HASTINGS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Julia Mae Primus, a dear friend of mine, who sadly passed away on June 18, 2016.

Julia was born on June 25, 1924 in Leesburg, Florida, where she attended the Lake County Training School and graduated valedictorian of her class. Once she finished high school, she enrolled at Florida A&M University (FAMU), where she earned a bachelor's degree in early childhood education. She later took graduate courses at Northwestern University before obtaining her Master's Degree in Speech Therapy and Pathology from the University of South Florida.

Julia paved the way for African American women as the first African American woman to be selected as a member of the Board of Directors of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod for the Florida-Georgia District. She was also a strong presence in the Florida A&M University (FAMU) community having pledged Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, and having chartered the Broward County Alumnae Chapter, serving two terms as the 1st Chapter President.

After college, she became the first African American speech therapist hired by the Broward County school system and served for forty years as a dedicated teacher and speech therapist. She devoted her life to educating future generations and to constantly serving as a role model to not only her pupils, but to all

of us who were honored to have her in our lives.

She leaves to cherish her memory her daughter Juliette Wise, her son Theodore Primus, four grandchildren: Dawn Wise McGowan, Walter Wise, III (Marla), Theodore Primus, and Julian Primus; great grandsons: George McGowan, Ryan McGowan, Walter Wise, IV, Grant Wise, Gerald Wise; special friend Demetria Broadnax, and many other close and loving friends.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to honor Julia Mae Primus, whose service to the people of Florida is a shining example for us all. Her spirit and memory will always live on.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. JOHN ABNEY CULBERSON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. CULBERSON. Mr. Speaker, on roll call No. 334, I am not recorded because of travel delays due to inclement weather in the DC area. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

SUPPORTING ALZHEIMER'S AND BRAIN AWARENESS MONTH

**HON. DEBBIE WASSERMAN SCHULTZ**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month. During the month of June, we recognize the more than five million Americans living with Alzheimer's and recommit ourselves to supporting those affected by the disease and their caregivers.

Alzheimer's is the sixth leading cause of death in the United States, with someone developing the disease every 66 seconds. As an Appropriations Committee Member, I have made it a priority to properly fund the National Institutes of Health so they can continue their cutting-edge research on diseases like Alzheimer's.

As a Representative of South Florida, this issue hits home for my constituents and me. Florida has the highest percentage of older adults in the U.S., as well as residents living with intellectual and developmental disabilities that are older than the national average. These populations are concentrated in South Florida, where nursing home costs are 50 percent above the national average. This is a sobering reality for many of my constituents and their families, which is why I will continue working to ensure that the NIH has the funding it needs to find better ways to treat the disease, delay its onset, and prevent it from developing.

Recognizing Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month is a small step forward in the fight against this deadly disease, and I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting federal investments in finding a cure.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO DR. W. DWIGHT ARMSTRONG FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE AS CEO OF THE NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION AND FOUNDATION

**HON. SUSAN W. BROOKS**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. W. Dwight Armstrong on the occasion of his retirement from the National FFA Organization and Foundation. For the past several years, Dwight has devoted his life to providing an exceptional educational experience to young leaders interested in agriculture. Located in Indianapolis, Indiana, the National FFA Center is home to the National FFA Organization, an organization committed to the individual student, providing a path to achievement in premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education, and the National FFA Foundation, which builds partnerships with industry, education, government, foundations and individuals to secure resources for the future of education, agriculture and student leader development. The National FFA Organization and Foundation flourished immensely under Dwight's strong leadership and the Hoosier community is forever grateful for his dedication to our country's future leaders.

Dwight has demonstrated a lifetime passion for agriculture and the growth of our country. Growing up on a small farm right outside of Kuttawa, Kentucky, his love for agriculture began at a young age. He attended Lyon County High School, where he was an active leader in the National FFA Organization. Upon graduating high school, he went on to pursue higher education in this vital field of study. He received his Bachelor of Science in Agriculture from Murray State University in 1971. After receiving his bachelor's, Dwight relocated to the Hoosier state to attend Purdue University, where he received his Master's and PhD in Animal Science in 1973 and 1975, respectively.

Before he began his tenure with the National FFA Organization and Foundation, he served in a number of positions that helped prepare him for his role as the leader of the National FFA. From 1975 to 1982, Dwight served as faculty in the Animal Sciences Department at North Carolina State University and was engaged with teaching, research, and extension work in swine nutrition. From 1982–2000, he held a number of leadership roles and eventually became President at Ackey Inc. in Ohio, a company providing nutritional solutions for animals and livestock throughout the United States. When Ackey was acquired by Provimi, a public company based out of the Netherlands, Dwight continued progressing with the company. From 2000 to 2008, Dwight served as CEO of North American Nutrition Companies, Director of the Americas, and eventually became Vice President of the Global Group. In this last role, he lived in the Netherlands and had operational responsibilities for Provimi's businesses in the Americas, France and Switzerland, and also served as a global innovation leader.

In 2008, he retired from Provimi and started his own consulting business with a focus on animal nutrition and agribusiness, and finally,

in 2009, Dwight joined the National FFA Organization as its COO and was later named CEO. In 2014, he was also named CEO of the National FFA Foundation and served both the Organization and the Foundation in a joint appointment.

Dwight's extensive and diverse background in the agriculture world made him an impeccable candidate to lead the National FFA. During his seven-year tenure, he has overseen an era of dramatic growth and success. Under his leadership, the organization increased participation exponentially and achieved an all-time record high membership of 629,367. This increase in student participation led to a vast increase in attendance at the National FFA Convention & Expo, making it the largest annual student gathering in the nation. He also solidified close collaboration and complementary strategic direction for both the National FFA Organization and the National FFA Foundation. The National FFA Foundation achieved record results in their annual fundraising efforts and campaigns. These notable records set under Dwight's guidance exemplify the significant and essential contributions he made to both the National FFA Organization and Foundation.

Dwight's success as a leader in agriculture and astonishing dedication to our future farmers and leaders has not gone unnoticed. He has received numerous awards and recognitions, including the Distinguished Agricultural Alumni Award from Purdue (1995), American Society of Animal Science Fellow Award (2000), Outstanding Agriculture Alumni Award from Murray State University (2002), Honorary American FFA Degree (2005), National FFA VIP Award (2006), Distinguished Alumnus Award from Murray State University (2007), and the Distinguished Service Award from the American Feed Industry Association (2009). Due to his outstanding guidance and service, he has been asked to serve on a variety of agricultural and not-for-profit boards throughout the years, including the American Society of Animal Science board (1996–1998), Animal Agricultural Alliance board of trustees (1998–2001), American Feed Industry Association board (1998–2001), National FFA Foundation Sponsors' Board (2000–2005), Professional Services board (2009–present), Mathile Institute board (2011–present), and Shoulder to Shoulder board (2012–present).

Agriculture is an essential part of not only our nation, but the entire world. Dwight has made a remarkable impression on the world of agriculture and the future leaders of our great nation. He left a legacy of success that will continue to be seen through the work and efforts of our young farmers and future leaders for decades to come. On behalf of Indiana's Fifth Congressional District, I'd like to congratulate Dwight on his noteworthy career and extend a huge thank you for all the wonderful contributions he has made to the Hoosier community and our country as a whole. I wish the very best to Dwight, his wife, Judy, and their family as he enjoys a well-deserved retirement.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF  
SUSAN TOLCHIN

**HON. MARCY KAPTUR**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker. I rise today to remember the life of Susan J. Tolchin, someone whom I had the privilege to work with and who I had long admired for her curiosity, her judgment, and her concern for others.

An ardent feminist, who along with her husband Marty, brought attention to the plight of middle-class working women, a class of Americans often overlooked and rarely chronicled, Susan and Marty authored several books together, all of which highlighted the mechanisms that the Tolchin's considered "occupational hazards of democracy."

As an author and a professor, Susan focused on and scrutinized political patronage and its many pitfalls, and was one of the first political scientists to identify growing voter disenchantment and disillusion with their government. She wisely concluded that these concerns were deeply rooted in the women's and worker's rights issues, largely discounted and ignored by policymakers, but which she sought to highlight through her teaching and writings.

In her seminal and sage work on political patronage, Susan redefined political patronage as that which "includes the vast range of favors awarded by constantly expanding governments." Likewise, her work on evolving voter anger was cutting-edge analysis, far ahead of her peers.

For those who had the fortune to know her, Susan was an engaging and charming conversationalist, with a natural curiosity and ability to learn from others. She was always learning and seeking new ideas, and applying this knowledge to her scholarship in the classroom and in her writings in political journals, magazines and books.

Susan's legacy of scholarship has provided those of us who also champion women's and laborers' rights with a critical knowledge base. Her work was inspirational, and insightful, and helped me and many others to understand trends and the undercurrents that caused them which others might have missed.

Susan was not only dedicated to struggles of the working, middle-class women, but also to her family, whom she loved dearly. She and her husband Martin worked closely together for many decades, authoring many books. She adored her daughter Karen, also a professor, and their charming grandson, Charlie. The tragic loss of their son Charles from a series of health setbacks in 2003 was a show of strength, love and compassion, how a supportive family rallies behind a son in need, with courage and resilience.

They were quite a team, Susan and Marty, always joyful and supportive of each other, in the best of times and in challenging times.

Those who were fortunate to have known and loved Susan, or who had followed her work, will miss her terribly. Her passion was an inspiration for many, and one can only hope that her passing will not be the last chapter of her story, but that she will continue to inspire countless others. She certainly inspired me.

I submit the following list of books authored or co-authored by Susan Tolchin.

'To the Victor: Political Patronage from the Clubhouse to the White House', 1971 by Susan Tolchin and Martin Tolchin.

'Clout: Womanpower and Politics', 1974 by Susan Tolchin and Martin Tolchin.

'Dismantling America: The Rush to Deregulate', 1985 by Susan Tolchin and Martin Tolchin.

'Buying into America', 1988 by Susan Tolchin and Martin Tolchin.

'Selling Our Security', 1993 by Susan Tolchin and Martin Tolchin.

'The Angry American: How Voter Rage Is Changing the Nation', 1998 by Susan Tolchin.

'A World Ignited: How Apostles of Ethnic, Religious, and Racial Hatred Torch the Globe', 2007 by Susan Tolchin and Martin Tolchin.

'Glass Houses: Congressional Ethics And The Politics of Venom', 2009, by Susan Tolchin and Martin Tolchin.

'Introduction to American Government', 2013 By Brigid Harrison, Jean Harris, Susan Tolchin.

'Pinstripe Patronage', 2015, by Susan Tolchin and Martin Tolchin.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. JOHN ABNEY CULBERSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. CULBERSON. Mr. Speaker, on roll call no. 335 I am not recorded because of travel delays due to inclement weather in the DC area.

Had I been present, I would have voted aye.

#### RECOGNIZING DR. BARBARA RISSER

### HON. TOM REED

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. REED. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Dr. Barbara Risser on her retirement and recognize her outstanding career in the field of higher education.

Dr. Risser has served as president of Finger Lakes Community College since 2007. During her tenure, she oversaw a major renovation project that drastically improved the college's campus, introduced new initiatives to grow the size of the student body, and secured funding to enhance the college's academic programs. As a result of her efforts, FLCC was recently recognized as one of the fastest growing community colleges in the country.

As president of FLCC, Dr. Risser launched an active strategic planning process and developed strong ties with our local community. She established an advisory committee of K-12 superintendents and expanded the services offered to local high school students. In recognition of her efforts, the Canandaigua Chamber of Commerce honored Dr. Risser with the Athena Award for professional excellence and leadership.

For nearly four decades, Dr. Risser has worked to ensure that young people have the skills and knowledge necessary to enter the workforce and achieve success. Prior to beginning her tenure as the fourth president of FLCC, Dr. Risser served for 28 years as a professor and administrator at Onondaga Community College.

I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Dr. Barbara Risser on her successful career and wishing her all the best in her well-deserved retirement.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. TIM HUELSKAMP

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. HUELSKAMP. Mr. Speaker, yesterday, on June 21, 2016, I was not present for rollcall vote number 334, 335, and 336 due to weather-related travel delays returning to Washington from Kansas. If I had been in attendance, I would have voted yes on roll call votes 334, 335, and 336.

#### ANGIE'S STORY

### HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, Angie LeGore was a beautiful girl with a heart of gold and a smile that would light up a room. She loved to sing and would sing with her mother in church. Angie loved dressing up and she loved dressing in jeans and wrestling in the dirt with her brothers. Because of her character, compassion and listening ear, children with troubles were attracted to Angie. She became the go to person for help. Angie loved writing and kept journals about what she wanted her life to look like when she grew up. Angie was focused on a career as a journalist. Telling stories was an art of Angie's. Unfortunately, Angie's one weakness would be her downfall. Angie wanted friends to like her and so she was a follower. Before she knew it, Angie followed others right into a life of addiction.

In 1997, Angie admitted to her mother that she was using heroin. Her mother, at the time, was uneducated about the drug and said, "Angie, if you love me you can quit." Angie tried to explain the power of the drug: "Mom, I need this drug like I need air to breathe." After a few months, an overdose, and much begging on her mother's part, Angie agreed that she needed help and signed herself into a treatment facility. Angie stayed there for a few weeks, but the call of heroin was too great. Angie left treatment and returned to her addiction. She called her mother a few days later: "I'm in a black hole and I can't get out." Angie's mother begged her to go back to treatment and Angie said she would call her the next day. They said their usual, "I love you's" and signed off. Having had a few weeks clean, Angie's tolerance had decreased dramatically. On February 10th Angie's body was found near a muddy creek after having been thrown down an embankment by her dealer.

The dealer had left Angie unconscious on his floor from Monday night until Tuesday night while she struggled to breathe. By the time he got home from a party on Tuesday, Angie was dead. The dealer and a friend loaded Angie into his car and dumped her body. The dealer was eventually found and prosecuted for involuntary manslaughter, seven

drug violations including three felonies, and abuse of a corpse.

Despite never having used drugs or alcohol herself, Angie's mother has struggled with addiction all her life. The power that opioids and heroin have had on her children is nothing short of a tragedy. This is a family disease and must be treated as such. Over the eighteen years that she has been working on substance abuse treatment and recovery concerns, there has always been a severe lack of funding. It is time that addiction is treated as it would any other disease that has become a national crisis. Fund the solutions.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. JOHN ABNEY CULBERSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. CULBERSON. Mr. Speaker, on roll call No. 336 I am not recorded because of travel delays due to inclement weather in the DC area.

Had I been present, I would have voted no.

#### CONGRATULATING THE BULL RUN CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE ON ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY

### HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Bull Run Civil War Round Table on the occasion of its 25th anniversary.

Established on May 9, 1991, the Bull Run Civil War Round Table (BRCWRT) was founded to promote a better understanding of the Civil War and preserve the historic sites associated with War's most important moments. Through lectures, research, field trips and active participation in the stewardship of Civil War sites, the group has made a lasting contribution to the preservation of Civil War history.

In order to promote a passion for history in the next generation, the BRCWRT awards annual scholarships to students who have researched and written about the War's remaining untold stories and mysteries. This year, two scholarships were awarded. I congratulate Brooke Roberts and Aaron Pirnat for receiving these honors.

The BRCWRT also offers a variety of programs featuring knowledgeable, respected Civil War historians, scholars, writers, and lecturers to educate enthusiasts and the general public. I have been proud to be a partner in the promotion and preservation of our region's rich Civil War history during my time in Congress and as a member of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.

The Civil War was a fateful moment in our nation's history. The War pitted brother against brother and threatened to tear apart the fabric of our young republic. Preservation of historic battlefields, homes, and other monuments ensures that we will never forget the sacrifices and pain the Civil War inflicted upon our nation, and, hopefully, through remembrance and understanding we heed the lessons of our past.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Bull Run Civil War Round Table on the occasion of its 25th anniversary and in commending the organization for its efforts to preserve Civil War history.

#### U.K. REFERENDUM

### HON. GEORGE HOLDING

OF NORTH CAROLINA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. HOLDING. Mr. Speaker, tomorrow, the British people will vote in a historic referendum on the question of their continued Membership in the European Union.

Their ultimate decision on whether to remain, or to leave, will—without question—have implications on not only their future, but also on the future of the European Union.

Mr. Speaker, there has naturally been a tremendous amount of debate on both the likely final vote tally and on the precise outcomes of any given result.

And as we have observed this debate, witnessed domestic and international financial markets respond to swings in polling data, and listened to endless speculation by the pundits, there should be one thing that is absolutely certain—with no room for debate or speculation.

That, regardless of the outcome of the referendum, is the commitment on the part of the United States to stand—unequivocally—with our trusted ally the United Kingdom.

However Mr. Speaker, leading up to the vote tomorrow, the Obama administration has certainly been keen to express their preferred outcome, and justifications for this position.

And quite publicly.

It has even been suggested that the United States would not be in the market for a bilateral Free Trade Agreement with an independent United Kingdom.

Thus placing the Special Relationship at quote “the back of the queue”.

This type of rhetoric and effort to tilt the scales has been particularly troubling.

Fortunately Mr. Speaker, I do not believe that this, and other such statements, reflect the prevailing belief in Congress that the United States would abandon our ally—let alone seek to actively penalize the United Kingdom for any decision made by their citizens.

Our relationship with the United Kingdom will remain strong.

The Special Relationship enjoyed by the United States and the United Kingdom has long advanced our shared values and forged a unique and unbreakable bond between our peoples.

Our relationship with the United Kingdom has weathered all storms and stood up to the countless challenges placed before it.

It is a central factor in the foreign, security, economic, and trading policies of our nation.

It has advanced prosperity and defended the security of our nation and the free world.

Simply put, the United States is stronger because of the Special Relationship.

Regardless of the vote tomorrow, the United States will stand shoulder to shoulder with the United Kingdom.

We will not abandon our shared commitment to freedom, security, democracy, human

rights, and a strong and enduring transatlantic relationship.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. LUIS V. GUTIÉRREZ

OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. GUTIÉRREZ. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably absent in the House chamber for votes on Tuesday, June 21, 2016. Had I been present, I would have voted “nay” on roll call vote 334 and “yea” on roll call votes 335 and 336.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF FARM CREDIT'S CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY

### HON. ANN M. KUSTER

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Ms. KUSTER. Mr. Speaker, as we near its 100th anniversary, I write today to commend the cooperative owners and the employees of the Farm Credit System for their continuing service in meeting the credit and financial services needs of rural communities in New Hampshire.

As a Member of the House Agriculture committee, I was pleased to cosponsor House Resolution 591, which commemorates the Farm Credit System centennial. The Farm Credit System was established by Congress through the Federal Farm Loan Act of 1916, and signed into law on July 17, 1916, by President Woodrow Wilson. Congress designed the Farm Credit System as a permanent means to support the well-being and vitality of America's rural communities and farmers.

My district is served by two Farm Credit associations: Farm Credit East and Yankee Farm Credit. Together, they have over \$235 million in loan commitments to their customer owners in the Granite State.

Several leaders of both organizations are from my district, including Paul Franklin, Chairman of the Yankee Farm Credit Board, and Steve Taylor, former New Hampshire Commissioner of Agriculture, both of whom are from Plainfield, and Thomas Colgan from Lyme. Farm Credit East board members Henry Huntington of Loudon and Tim Chan of Claremont are also from New Hampshire's second district.

Farm Credit is involved in the agricultural community throughout New Hampshire, supporting organizations like Land for Good, which seeks to provide land access to farmers, and Annie's Project which assists women in agriculture. Farm Credit staff serve in leadership roles for the New Hampshire 4-H Foundation and supporting programs such as UNH Extension's Agriculture and Natural Resource Business Institute.

Farm Credit has demonstrated its commitment to its customer owners in New Hampshire for a century, and I look forward to its continued commitment for the next one hundred years.

THE GREAT AND HOLY COUNCIL  
MEETING OF THE ORTHODOX  
CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

### HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate the Orthodox Christian community, and recognize the historic Great and Holy Council meeting in Greece from June 19–26, 2016.

Bringing together 350 leaders of 14 Orthodox Christian Churches from Istanbul to Antioch to Romania to Slovakia, this Council represents more than 300 million followers worldwide, including one million Americans. While Council attendees self-govern their churches, they remain united in their values, faith, liturgy, and following of Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople.

Under the leadership of the Ecumenical Patriarch, this is the first gathering of Orthodox churches in 1,200 years. The Council will underscore the direction, purpose, and mission of Orthodox Christian Churches. It is an opportunity to discuss the Diaspora and relations with other Christian churches worldwide.

The Ecumenical Patriarch has an unsurpassed record for steering cooperative effort, adding this remarkable Council to his record of success. Often referred to as the “first among equals” by his followers, the Ecumenical Patriarch maintains collegial relations with other Patriarchs and hierarchical leaders. His effectiveness as a leader is complemented by his gracious and generous spirit.

Mr. Speaker, at a time when religious division remains a source of conflict and suffering, I celebrate this Council for its message of unity, tolerance, and peace.

#### IN HONOR OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF TEAMSTERS LOCAL 202 (1916–2016)

### HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL

OF NEW YORK  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 202. Let me congratulate Local 202's President, Daniel Kane, Jr., Business Agent John Rieder and all the officers, trustees and the membership for your continued service to the Union and the Labor Movement.

When the Great War, World War I, raged on in Europe in 1916, Teamsters Local 202 was born. This organization helped immigrants from all walks of life who came to this great city and Nation for a better life and to live the American Dream. “A fair day's pay for a fair day's work” has been the Teamsters' motto and their label that has provided and improved the quality of life of workers' rights through collective bargaining, negotiating and ratifying good contract agreements. Through collective bargaining, the union has been able to ride out the storms of rolling economies, and has made sacrifices to ensure that Local 202 continues to exist for all workers, young and old.

Through the hustle and bustle of everyday life, Local 202 has stood strong for 100

years—weathering historic global and local events such as The Great Depression and the two Great Wars, World War I and World War II. During the economic boom of the 50's and the 60's, Local 202 grew its membership and was able to include itself in all facets of manufacturing, including food service and light industrial industries.

Local 202 represented the workers of the produce and food service industry from the early days, on the West Side of Manhattan's historic Cobblestoned Streets. In 1967, the NYC Terminal Market was born at Hunts Point in the Bronx, New York. With its opening, Local 202's membership grew as more and more companies expanded in the marketplace. Today, more than any other Produce Terminal Market in the world, the New York City Terminal Market revenues exceed 2 billion dollars annually. It has become a haven for many workers and allowed them to build a better life for themselves and their families with the help and support of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 202.

Mr. Speaker, it shall be their goal through the current administration and future administrations to continue to represent workers in all industries and be able to succeed into future generations. I ask you and my colleagues to join me in celebrating the 100th Anniversary of International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 202.

OP-ED ABOUT CONGRESSMAN EDWARD R. ROYBAL AND FRED ROSS

### HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Mr. Speaker, I would like to share with my colleagues a Los Angeles Times op-ed by Gabriel Thompson, which describes how my father, the late Congressman Edward R. Roybal, worked with the legendary community organizer Fred Ross to form the Community Service Organization in Boyle Heights. In this op-ed, and in his new book, "America's Social Arsonist," Mr. Thompson describes how residents in and around Boyle Heights mobilized to register local voters so that these voters could make their voices heard in government. There is no right more fundamental, vital, and powerful in our society than the right to vote. The work that my father and Mr. Ross did together helped so many Angelenos exercise that right.

I would like to submit the following op-ed:

[From the Los Angeles Times, Apr. 18, 2016]

HOW TO REGISTER LATINO VOTERS

(By Gabriel Thompson)

The Spanish-language channel Univision hopes to register 3 million new Latino voters before the November election. The organization Voto Latino is sending volunteers to Maná and Los Tigres del Norte concerts with an app that scans driver's licenses and quickly registers new voters. The National Council of La Raza and the League of United Latin American Citizens are once again staffing their long-running registration campaigns.

It's no secret why: "The rule is no one can make it to the White House without the Hispanic vote," said Univision anchor Jorge Ramos.

In the 1992 presidential election, Latinos cast 4.2 million votes. By 2012, that number had nearly tripled, to 11.2 million. Now the Pew Research Center estimates that between 2012 and November 2016, 3.2 million U.S.-born Latino citizens will turn 18 and be eligible to vote; another 1.2 million Latino immigrants will become naturalized citizens.

These numbers, however, obscure another trend: Since 1992, voter registration rates among Latinos have remained stuck at around 58%. By comparison, about three-quarters of whites and blacks are registered voters. This is crucial, because once Latinos register, they vote. About 82% of registered Latino voters went to the polls in 2012, just five points below the turnout of white registered voters.

"The principal problem is not voter turnout," concluded a January report published by CNN en Español and the Center for Latin American, Caribbean and Latino Studies at City University of New York. The report's author, Laird Bergad, didn't see signs the registration rate would improve: "There is no reason to believe that this will change substantially by 2016, despite many announced voter registration drives."

Of course, that was before Donald Trump emerged as the Republican front-runner. His candidacy alone may increase Latino voter registration this year. But to seal Trump's fate, and to change the trajectory Bergad documented, Univision, Voto Latino and the other groups should look closely at history. One of the most successful voter registration drives among Latinos occurred in East Los Angeles nearly 70 years ago.

In 1947, a Mexican American social worker named Edward Roybal ran for Los Angeles City Council seeking to represent the 9th District, which included Boyle Heights and downtown. About a third of the district's residents were Latino, Roybal's natural base. They were eligible to vote, but few were registered. Roybal finished third in a field of five, winning less than half the votes of incumbent Parley Christensen.

After the election, Roybal crossed paths with a community organizer, Fred Ross, who worked for Saul Alinsky. Roybal and Ross formed the Community Service Organization in Boyle Heights, tackling neighborhood issues such as police brutality and evictions. Voter registration was at the center of their work.

By the time Roybal ran for City Council again in 1949, the CSO had turned Latinos into a powerful political force. Roybal trounced Christensen in the 9th District, winning more votes in Boyle Heights alone (12,684) than his opponent did in the entire district (11,948). Roybal's final tally—20,562 votes—was a sixfold increase from two years earlier. He became the first Spanish speaker on the City Council since 1881.

The key to the CSO's success was a bottom up, face to face, community-based campaign. Ross recruited volunteers who spent night after night knocking on doors. They hosted organizing meetings in their living rooms, where newcomers were signed up to host the next meeting, inviting more friends and family members. "We can . . . we will . . . we must vote!" read one CSO flyer.

Ross kept a 3x5 index card for each registered voter with a Spanish surname. The collection grew to more than 10,000. He tallied who was bringing in the most voters, male or female volunteers. The local newspaper, *El Pueblo*, reported the results: Three women registered more than 500 voters apiece, but no one could touch Matt "Cy-clone" Arguijos: 2,286 registered voters.

The success in 1949 proved to be repeatable. In 1968, Ross worked with volunteers from the United Farm Workers on another East L.A. registration drive. They signed up 11,000

voters in 20 days in support of Robert F. Kennedy's presidential campaign. One of those UFW volunteers was Marshall Ganz, who would later help develop Barack Obama's 2008 field campaign.

"That was my school," Ganz says of Ross' East L.A. efforts. "That has always been my basic point of reference for how you do grassroots political work." It's not the number of paid canvassers that matters most, Ganz adds, but "recruiting people from the community to do the work."

Canvassing Maná fans at the Forum, and recruiting celebrities for PSAs, can't hurt in 2016. But Roybal and Ross' success in Boyle Heights lends credence to common sense: To empower Latinos, the community is key. It's great to be able to tap a screen to register to vote. It's even better to mobilize a neighborhood to knock on doors, app in hand, until someone answers.

### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, if I were present, I would have voted no on roll call number 334 to H.R. 5525. If I were present, I would have voted yes on roll call number 335 to H.R. 5388. If I were present, I would have voted yes on roll call number 336 to H.R. 5389.

### TRIBUTE TO ROBIN READ BRUNELLI

#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 22, 2016*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize posthumously the remarkable contribution of Robin Read Brunelli. Her mission to transform the National Foundation for Women Legislators is realized and commended by thousands of elected women leaders throughout the United States.

For seven years, Ms. Brunelli served as a U.S. Presidential appointee to the Governors of the Federal Reserve Board, and while there, radically improved the training programs at the Federal Reserve Board's banking school. Although she served on many non-profit and corporate boards during her professional career, she was most proud of her work for the National Women's History Museum. Her collegiate years were spent in America's southwest, where she studied William Shakespeare and taught high school. She hosted the Midwestern iconic syndicated radio program, "Kitchen Klatter" for many years—a staple of Iowa values with a recipe for clean living and good meals.

Born in Shenandoah, Iowa, Robin Read Brunelli was known for her remarkable empathy and connectivity to all whom she encountered. Deaf until age 6, Robin had a deep awareness of God's love and path for her life. Those who were lucky enough to meet her were engulfed in her grace, intelligence and empathetic heart. Devoutly committed to her church and family, Robin Read Brunelli and her husband Sam leave a legacy of hope and inspiration to their many children, family members and friends.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great honor that I recognize Robin Read Brunelli today. I ask that my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives join me in honoring her today. I thank Robin for her service to the United States and know that her legacy of leadership and service will live on.

IN HONOR OF THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF JAMES CECIL LINDLEY

### HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 22, 2016

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the House's attention today to recognize the birthday of James Cecil Lindley. He will turn 100 on July 20th.

Mr. Lindley was born on July 20, 1916, in Randolph County, Alabama to James Pierce Lindley and Lettie Lipham Lindley. He attended school at New Home and Randolph County High. For college, he attended Snead College, Jacksonville State University and obtained a Master's Degree at the University of Alabama.

Mr. Lindley did his basic training for the Army in June of 1942 in Miami, Florida. He then went to Air Force training at Fort Logan, Colorado and later Peterson Field in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

He served in the 5th Air Force with the 20th mapping squadron. During World War II, he served in the Philippines. Mr. Lindley was discharged after World War II at Camp Shelby in October 1945.

Mr. Lindley married Audrey Cofield and had two children: Don and Doyle (deceased). He also has a daughter-in-law, Sheila Ponder Lindley. He was blessed with four grandchildren: Tracy Lindley, James Robert (Rob) Lindley (deceased), Cinda Lindley and Kerrie Lindley. And also blessed with four great-grandchildren: Lindley Thompson, Nic Thompson, Alycia Guyer and Eric Guyer.

Mr. Lindley taught vocational education in Piedmont and later in Oxford. He moved to Montgomery in 1964 as State Supervisor of Vocational Education (VICA) and later was inducted into the Alabama Educational Hall of Fame.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the life and achievements of Mr. Lindley and wishing him a happy 100th birthday.

MAX CLELAND CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL ACT OF 2016

### HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 22, 2016

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I want to recognize the extraordinary contributions to our nation by Max Cleland, who served as a United States Senator from Georgia between 1997 and 2003, by introducing the Max Cleland Congressional Gold Medal Act of 2016.

Max Cleland's life in public service began as a young man when he joined the Reserve Officers' Training Corps at Stetson University. Following his graduation, he volunteered to

serve as an Army Officer in Vietnam, where he was awarded the Silver Star for his bravery at the Battle of Khe Sanh. He later suffered extensive injuries in combat, ultimately losing both of his legs and his right arm. Facing an uncertain future while recovering at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Senator Cleland fought to overcome his injuries with both resilience and sheer fortitude.

Following his release from Walter Reed, Cleland became the youngest member of the Georgia State Senate in 1970. Seven years later, he was appointed to head the Veterans Administration by President Jimmy Carter. Cleland then served as Georgia's Secretary of State from 1982 to 1996, after which he was elected to the United States Senate, where he represented Georgia for six years. In the U.S. Senate, Cleland advocated for veterans and a strong national defense, helped to institute significant reforms at the U.S. Department of Defense, and became a respected leader in Congress. Upon leaving the Senate, he served on the 9/11 Commission and is currently the Secretary of the American Battle Monuments Commission, a position to which he was appointed by President Obama in 2009.

As a leader on behalf of veterans for over four decades, Senator Cleland has overcome immeasurable obstacles and demonstrated how disabilities do not have to hinder having an accomplished and fulfilled life. His service, life, and fortitude in the face of adversity are indeed an example for us all.

The Congressional Gold Medal is the proper means to honor this distinguished American who has given so much and continues to work tirelessly on behalf of the entire nation. I urge my colleagues to support this measure.

CLEMENTS HIGH SCHOOL'S ANGELA LIN NAMED H&R BLOCK BUDGET CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

### HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 22, 2016

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Clements High School senior Angela Lin of Sugar Land, TX for winning the H&R Block Budget Challenge grand prize scholarship.

With two older brothers attending the University of Houston, college tuition was going to pose a challenge for Angela. So she worked hard and entered the Bucket Challenge and won a \$120,000 scholarship from a competitive field of 150,000 students. The challenge was a 10-week financial literacy competition in which she developed spreadsheets, made choices on insurance deductibles, planned how to spend paychecks and how to pay bills. Angela's hard work paid off and she plans to earn a double major in management systems and marketing with a potential minor in entrepreneurship. Angela's potential is limitless.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Angela Lin on winning the H&R Block Budget Challenge scholarship. Keep up the great work, and keep on pursuing your dreams Angela.

### SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, June 23, 2016 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

### MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JUNE 28

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine improving strategic integration at the Department of Defense.

SH-216

10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety and Security

To hold hearings to examine how the Internet of Things (IoT) can bring United States transportation and infrastructure into the 21st century.

SR-253

Committee on Finance

To hold hearings to examine the proposed Medicare Part B drug demonstration.

SD-215

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine global efforts to defeat ISIS.

SD-419

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the implementation of the Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act of 2015.

SD-226

2 p.m.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Subcommittee on Primary Health and Retirement Security

To hold hearings to examine small business health care, focusing on costs and options.

SD-430

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the status of the the Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service's efforts to implement amendments to land use plans and specific management plans regarding sage grouse conservation, and those agencies' coordination activities with affected states.

SD-366

Committee on the Judiciary  
Subcommittee on Oversight, Agency Action, Federal Rights and Federal Courts

To hold hearings to examine the consequences of agency efforts to deemphasize radical Islam in combating terrorism.

SD-226

4 p.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Andrew Mayoock, of Illinois, to be Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget.

SD-342

JUNE 29

10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Business meeting to consider pending calendar business.

SR-253

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine Every Student Succeeds Act implementation, focusing on an update from the Secretary of Education on proposed regulations.

SD-430

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine preparing for and protecting the nation from Zika.

SD-342

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine protecting older Americans from financial exploitation.

SD-226

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

To hold hearings to examine the consequences of dwindling startup activity.

SR-428A

2:15 p.m.

Committee on Indian Affairs

To hold hearings to examine S. 2796, to repeal certain obsolete laws relating to Indians, S. 2959, to amend the White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act of 2010 to clarify the use of amounts in the WMAT Settlement Fund, and S. 3013, to authorize and implement the water rights compact among the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Indian Reservation, the State of Montana, and the United States.

SD-628

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Environment and Public Works

Subcommittee on Superfund, Waste Management, and Regulatory Oversight

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Environmental Protection Agency enforcement and compliance programs.

SD-406

Committee on Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine S. 244, to require an independent comprehensive

review of the process by which the Department of Veterans Affairs assesses cognitive impairments that result from traumatic brain injury for purposes of awarding disability compensation, S. 603, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make permanent the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to transport individuals to and from facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs in connection with rehabilitation, counseling, examination, treatment, and care, S. 2210, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a program to establish peer specialists in patient aligned care teams at medical centers of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 2279, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a program to increase efficiency in the recruitment and hiring by the Department of Veterans Affairs of health care workers that are undergoing separation from the Armed Forces, to create uniform credentialing standards for certain health care professionals of the Department, S. 2316, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the requirements for reissuance of veterans benefits in cases of misuse of benefits by certain fiduciaries to include misuse by all fiduciaries, and to improve oversight of fiduciaries, S. 2791, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the treatment of veterans who participated in the cleanup of Enewetak Atoll as radiation exposed veterans for purposes of the presumption of service-connection of certain disabilities by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, S. 2958, to establish a pilot program on partnership agreements to construct new facilities for the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 3021, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the use of Post-9/11 Educational Assistance to pursue independent study programs at certain educational institutions that are not institutions of higher learning, S. 3023, to provide for the reconsideration of claims for disability compensation for veterans who were the subjects of experiments by the Department of Defense during World War II that were conducted to assess the effects of mustard gas or lewisite on people, S. 3032, to provide for an increase, effective December 1, 2016, in the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, S. 3035, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to increase the use of medical scribes to maximize the efficiency of physicians at medical facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 3055, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide a dental insurance plan to veterans and survivors and dependents of veterans, S. 3076, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish caskets and urns for burial in cemeteries of States

and tribal organizations of veterans without next of kin or sufficient resources to provide for caskets or urns, S. 3081, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide certain employees of members of Congress with access to case-tracking information of the Department of Veterans Affairs, an original bill to clarify the scope of procedural rights of members of the uniformed services with respect to their employment and reemployment rights, to improve the enforcement of such employment and reemployment rights, an original bill to expand eligibility for readjustment counseling to certain members of the Selected Reserve of the Armed Forces, an original bill to authorize payment by the Department of Veterans Affairs for the costs associated with service by medical residents and interns at facilities operated by Indian tribes and tribal organizations, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to expand medical residencies and internships at such facilities, and an original bill to authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to acquire, operate, and maintain the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial in Marnes-la-Coquette, France.

SR-418

JUNE 30

9 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs  
Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management

To hold hearings to examine the use of agency regulatory guidance.

SD-342

10 a.m.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

To hold hearings to examine small business survival amidst flood insurance rate increases.

SR-428A

JULY 13

10:30 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations  
Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies

To hold hearings to examine a review of the Department of Veterans Affairs' electronic health record (VistA), progress toward interoperability with the Department of Defense's electronic health record, and plans for the future.

SD-124

JULY 14

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine evaluating the financial risks of China.

SD-538