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es for a successful and fun filled Camporee. I also would like express my deep appreciation to the troop leaders and parents for their commitment to teaching our youth the skills and values that will serve them well throughout their lives.

RECOGNIZING THE CENTENNIAL CAMPOREE FOR THE NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA COUNCIL OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA AND THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BOY SCOUTS

IN RECOGNITION OF THE CRISIS COMMUNICATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD RECIPIENT

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

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Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the National Capital Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America and to extend my congratulations on the occasion of the 100-year anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. This month also marks the Centennial Camporee for the National Capital Area Council, "Scouting in Action, A Century of Values." Thousands of attendees will participate in the 2010 Camporee which will be held in Goshen, Virginia.

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise to congratulate Ms. Sonya Daniel upon receiving the Crisis Communicator of the Year Award from the Pensacola chapter of the Florida Public Relations Association.

The Boy Scouts were founded in the United States on February 8, 1910, by William D. Boyce when he incorporated the Boy Scouts of America. The Boy Scouts of America instills in young Americans the values and traits of being a good citizen. After 100 years of scouting, these founding principles have guided over 100 million Boy Scouts to be trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.

In her role as the Public Information Officer for Escambia County, Ms. Sonya Daniel is responsible for disseminating vital information to the public during times of crisis. During tropical storms and hurricanes Ms. Daniel has remained calm and levelheaded. Amidst panic, she effectively relayed important information to residents of Escambia County on how to prepare and respond to crises. She was recognized by the Florida Public Relations Association for her streamline approach to communicating with the media. Ms. Daniel is known for utilizing all the resources of local media to reach concerned citizens as quickly as possible.

The National Capital Area Council has a distinguished history within the Boy Scouts. Its predecessor, the District of Columbia Council was the first area Council for the Boy Scouts of America. In 1913, the DC Council was recognized by President Woodrow Wilson for its service during his Presidential inauguration, which began a tradition of Boy Scout involvement in presidential inaugurations. With the addition of Arlington, the District of Columbia Council was reorganized and renamed the National Capital Area Council.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, I proudly recognize Mr. Sonya Daniel as the Florida Public Relations Crisis Communicator of the Year. I am grateful for the work she does to inform the residents of my district of critical information. My wife Vicki and I wish Ms. Daniel and her family all the best for the future.

The link between citizenship and scouting, combined with strong leadership and proximity to the Federal Government, has enabled the National Capital Area Council to be a leader within the Boy Scouts of America organization. This Council is now one of the largest in the country and is comprised of troops from 10 counties in Northern Virginia, six counties in Maryland, and the District of Columbia.

IN MEMORY OF BYRON ATHAN

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The influence and importance of scouting cannot be overstated. Scouting instills and reinforces strong character traits such as commitment to the community, value of working to achieve a goal, discipline and honesty. Scouting alumni include world leaders in virtually every field: Politics, medicine, entertainment, sports, and science.

Mr. McNERNEY. Madam Speaker, today Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI and I ask our colleagues to join us in honoring the life of Byron Athan, who passed away at age 91 on November 25, 2009.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the Boy Scouts of America on the occasion of their 100th anniversary as well as in extending our best wishes

Byron Athan was passionate about public service. He dedicated his life to serving his country and community for over 68 years and Byron started his unique and distinguished career by joining the U.S. Army. He later became a fixture in the San Ramon Valley, authoring the City of San Ramon's Charter and later serving in city government in multiple capacities including as Mayor and City Attorney.

Byron Athan was vital to the incorporation of the City of San Ramon in 1983. He wrote the City Charter and served as San Ramon City Attorney from 1983 until his election to the City Council in 1995. He was San Ramon Mayor from 1998 to 1999. He returned to the City Attorney post from 2004 until he retired in October of 2009 at age 91 as one of the most experienced practicing attorneys in California.

Byron lived life with a passion for exploration and adventure. Byron finished the marathon in Greece based on the original completed by the ancient Greek Pheidippides, as well as races in San Francisco and Hawaii. His spirit did not diminish with time. He celebrated his 90th birthday with a 100-mile bike ride.

Byron's years of service to his community touched the lives of many and improved the quality of life in San Ramon. He led by example and in the words of former San Ramon Mayor Diane Schinnerer, "he is known and respected for his honesty, integrity, work ethic, and knowledge of the law." Athan Downs Park in San Ramon, is dedicated in Mr. Athan's honor because of his successful advocacy for parkland in the city.

Byron Athan's dedication to public service leaves a legacy that will continue to benefit the people of San Ramon, the state of California and our great nation for generations to come. It is for these reasons that Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI and I ask our colleagues to join us in honoring the memory of Byron Athan and in sending our thoughts and prayers to his beloved family and friends.

RECOGNIZING THE WORK OF LANI FURBANK AND KEVIN HARGROVE TO ORGANIZE "A HAND UP, NOT A HAND OUT" BENEFIT CONCERT FOR AFRICA

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Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize "A Hand Up, Not a Hand Out" Benefit Concert for Africa. This Benefit Concert will raise money for sustainable investments in Africa through the Development in Gardening charity organization.

Development in Gardening seeks to improve the health and well being for HIV-positive and other at-risk individuals in developing nations. This is accomplished by teaching the skills and providing the infrastructure to create sustainable community gardens, thereby empowering people to improve both their nutrition and earning potential. The program reaches out to orphanages, hospitals and outpatient facilities to install micro gardens that provide not only a steady source of healthy, fresh vegetables but a sense of community and purpose. It focuses on improved nutrition, food security, micro-enterprise development, home garden extension, personal empowerment, and social change.

This benefit concert is anticipated to raise \$5,000 to fund the program's ongoing efforts. I would like to commend Lani Furbank and

Kevin Hargrove for their commitment to helping those in need. Lani and Kevin have organized this event, which will result in the betterment of countless lives in Africa. Residents of Northern Virginia have a strong record of community involvement and charitable giving. I am honored to represent a district that is always willing to help those in need, both at home and around the world.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the contributions of Development in Gardening and, particularly, the efforts of Lani Furbank and Kevin Hargrove. By supporting sustainable micro-economic development projects, we invest in the continued well being of others. We provide the tools and education for people to be self-sufficient and live in dignity.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE SERVICE
OF DAVID "DAVE" O. MILLER

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Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, it is with great honor that I rise today in recognition of the service of David O. Miller from the Protocol Office of the Air Armament Center, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida. Mr. Miller retires today after 49 years total federal service, 28 years in the United States Air Force and 21 years of Civilian Service. I am proud to recognize his vast contributions to national security through his humble service to this great Nation in the United States Air Force, both as a member of active duty as well as a civil servant.

Mr. Miller is a native of Loris, South Carolina. He graduated from Loris High School in June 1962, and began his military career with the United States Air Force in September, 1962. He later attended the University of Tampa and the El Paso and Pike's Peak community colleges. In his military career, he first served as an Administrative Apprentice and retired as a Senior Master Sergeant in February 1991.

The United States Air Force has been in existence more than six decades and Mr. Miller has been serving her for almost five decades beginning in 1962. He began his protocol career in 1976 when General Chappie James directed the establishment of the first protocol office at Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado. Mr. Miller was one of three people chosen to establish the organization. His outstanding performance in the protocol field eventually led to General Gregory Martin, Commander, Air Force Materiel Command, honoring him for superior performance in his duties by awarding him the Commander's Recognition Award in 2004. Mr. Miller was the second person to receive this award.

After retiring as a Senior Master Sergeant following 28 years of active duty service in the United States Air Force, Mr. Miller began his civilian federal service career in 1991 as a protocol assistant with the Protocol Office of the Air Armament Center at Eglin Air Force Base. Throughout his career, Mr. Miller demonstrated superior performance as a compas-

sionate leader driven by a tremendous sense of purpose. He pursued excellence each day at the Air Armament Center, contributing immensely to its mission success. He consulted on protocol matters to ten Eglin center commanders, all of whom were charged with leading the world's largest Air Force Base. With Eglin being one of the most visited military facilities in the Department of Defense, Mr. Miller tirelessly contributed to a team of round-the-clock-protocol support, decade after decade. From meeting aircraft with dignitaries on the flight line in the early hours to planning and directing social functions at the general's residence into the late evening, Mr. Miller upheld the rules of decorum for tasks small and large with professionalism and enthusiasm.

The most notable example of Mr. Miller's exceptional commitment to seeing to the needs of Eglin airmen, civilians and family members at large was during a memorial service attended by more than five thousand people. This was held on base to reflect upon the twelve fallen Airmen from the 33rd Fighter Wing at Eglin Air Force Base who were killed in the Dhahran Air Base bombing of the Kohbar Towers in Saudi Arabia in June, 1996. The memorial, organized by Mr. Miller and held a few days after the bombing, was recognized as "an absolutely flawless ceremony and an outstanding tribute to our fallen warriors," by the Air Force Development Test Center Commander. Mr. Miller was awarded the Exemplary Civilian Service Award for his work.

He is married to the former Carmen Sue Brown of Dublin, Georgia, and they have one son, Michael, who resides in Denver, Colorado.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, I am proud to recognize Mr. David O. Miller for his excellent leadership and service to the United States Air Force both as a military member and civil servant. His dedication to our Nation is most deserving of this recognition. From all the constituents of Florida's First Congressional District, I would like to congratulate him on his retirement and wish him well in his future endeavors.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on 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, May 27, 2010 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

MAY 28

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

Closed business meeting to continue markup of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

SR-222

JUNE 8

10 a.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
Children and Families Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the state of American children.

SD-430

JUNE 9

2 p.m.

Judiciary

Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights Subcommittee

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the enforcement of the antitrust laws.

SD-226

3 p.m.

Energy and Natural Resources
Water and Power Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine S. 2891, to further allocate and expand the availability of hydroelectric power generated at Hoover Dam, S. 2779 and H.R. 3671, bills to promote Department of the Interior efforts to provide a scientific basis for the management of sediment and nutrient loss in the Upper Mississippi River Basin, S. 3387, to provide for the release of water from the marketable yield pool of water stored in the Ruedi Reservoir for the benefit of endangered fish habitat in the Colorado River, and for other purpose, S. 3404, to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 to require the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to take actions to improve environmental conditions in the vicinity of the Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel in Lake County, Colorado, and H.R. 4252, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of water resources in the Rialto-Colton Basin in the State of California.

SD-366

JUNE 10

10 a.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine assessing the effects of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill on states, localities and the private sector.

SD-342

JUNE 16

9:30 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine veterans' claims processing, focusing on if current efforts are working.

SR-418

JUNE 17

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the New Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START) and the implications for national security programs.

SD-106