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House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. POE of Texas).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
August 14, 2018.

I hereby appoint the Honorable TED POE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

PAUL D. RYAN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Michael Wilker, Lutheran Church of the Reformation, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Gracious God, this week as Christians celebrate the life of Mary, the mother of Jesus, we pray like Martin Luther that government officials learn to govern well by listening to Mary's song, the Magnificat.

Open our hearts to magnify Your glory and grace, O God. Open the eyes of officials to see people who live under poverty and oppression. Lift up people who are lowly and take down officials who are arrogant. Feed both the wealthy and impoverished with Your justice and mercy.

As You have saved our ancestors and as You have promised to do for our descendants, give today's leaders the same joy, wisdom, courage, and trust that You gave to Your servant Mary, the bearer of Your holy Word, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 1012, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HONORABLE GERALD E. CONNOLLY, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable GERALD E. CONNOLLY, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 14, 2018.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have been served with a subpoena for documents issued by the Fairfax County Circuit Court.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is not consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

GERALD E. CONNOLLY,
Member of Congress.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(b) of House Resolution 1012, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. on Friday, August 17, 2018.

Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, August 17, 2018, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

5932. A letter from the Under Secretary, Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a series of violations of the Antideficiency Act, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1351; Public Law 97-258; (96 Stat. 926); to the Committee on Appropriations.

5933. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for the Division of Regulatory Services, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's notice of withdrawal — Withdrawal of guidance documents [Docket ID: ED-2016-OESE-0056] (RIN: 1810-AB33) received July 31, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

5934. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Short-Term, Limited-Duration Insurance (RIN: 1210-AB86) received August 9, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

5935. A letter from the Director, Office of Labor-Management Standards, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Rescission of Rule Interpreting "Advice" Exemption in Section 203(c) of the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act (RIN: 1245-AA07) received August 8, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

5936. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Amendments to Regulations Governing NVOCC Negotiated Rate Arrangements and NVOCC Service Arrangements [Docket No.: 17-10] (RIN: 3072-AC68) received August 9, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5937. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Clarification Concerning the Effect of Section 67(g) on Trusts and Estates [Notice 2018-61] received August 8, 2018, pursuant to 5

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U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

5938. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Method change guidance for small business taxpayers under sections 448, 263A, 460, and 471 [Rev. Proc. 2018-40] received August 9, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

5939. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Amplification and Modification of Safe Harbor Method for Participants in the HFA Hardest Hit Fund [Notice 2018-63] received August 8, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

5940. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Guidance on the Contribution Limits Applicable to ABLE Accounts under Section 529A [Notice 2018-62] received August 8, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

5941. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final regulation and removal of temporary regulations — Partnership Representative under the Centralized Partnership Audit Regime and Election to Apply the Centralized Partnership Audit Regime [TD 9839] (RIN: 1545-BN41) received August 9, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 2591. A bill to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to modernize the funding of wildlife conservation, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 115-899). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 6038. A bill to establish a procedure for the conveyance of certain Federal property around the Dickinson Reservoir in the State of North Dakota; with an amendment (Rept. 115-900). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 6039. A bill to establish a procedure for the conveyance of certain Federal property around the Jamestown Reservoir in the State of North Dakota, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 115-901). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following

titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER (for herself, Mr. EVANS, Ms. MOORE, Mr. RUSH, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. LEE, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. CLAY, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. JEFFRIES, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. FUDGE, Ms. NORTON, and Mr. PAYNE):

H.R. 6669. A bill to require automatic sealing of certain criminal records, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 6670. A bill to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to permit the District of Columbia to establish the rate of pay of the Chief Financial Officer of the District of Columbia; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. PETERS (for himself, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. ESHOO, and Mr. CARBAJAL):

H.R. 6671. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow for a credit against tax for rent paid on the personal residence of the taxpayer; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER:

H.R. 6669.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clauses 1, 3, and 18.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 6670.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: clause 17 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. PETERS:

H.R. 6671.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 120: Mr. WEBER of Texas.
H.R. 367: Mr. CLOUD.
H.R. 592: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia and Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 1038: Mr. STEWART.
H.R. 1171: Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 1218: Mr. TAYLOR.
H.R. 1279: Mr. HULTGREN.
H.R. 1318: Mr. STEWART and Ms. BORDALLO.
H.R. 1552: Mr. DAVIDSON.
H.R. 1661: Mr. ROE of Tennessee and Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee.

H.R. 1802: Mr. GRIJALVA.

H.R. 1904: Mr. CARBAJAL.

H.R. 1924: Ms. SHEA-PORTER.

H.R. 1953: Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ.

H.R. 2327: Mr. GRIJALVA.

H.R. 2687: Mr. SHERMAN.

H.R. 2953: Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. COOK, Mr. BARLETTA, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. SINEMA, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, and Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN.

H.R. 3128: Ms. CHENEY.

H.R. 3334: Mr. FOSTER.

H.R. 3730: Mr. YARMUTH.

H.R. 4107: Mr. O'ROURKE, Mr. FOSTER, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Ms. LOFGREN, and Mr. TROTT.

H.R. 4256: Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. COOK, and Ms. PIN-GREE.

H.R. 4693: Mrs. DEMINGS.

H.R. 4837: Mr. PANETTA.

H.R. 4843: Mr. DEUTCH.

H.R. 5160: Mr. CARSON of Indiana.

H.R. 5161: Ms. MATSUI, Ms. LEE, and Ms. JAYAPAL.

H.R. 5162: Ms. JAYAPAL and Mr. PERLMUTTER.

H.R. 5163: Ms. JAYAPAL.

H.R. 5621: Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. WOODALL.

H.R. 5671: Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. ROSEN, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, and Mr. FASO.

H.R. 5986: Mrs. LESKO and Ms. MCSALLY.

H.R. 5996: Mr. POSEY and Mrs. DEMINGS.

H.R. 6010: Mr. RATCLIFFE.

H.R. 6016: Mr. MOULTON.

H.R. 6085: Mr. COSTELLO of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 6086: Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. YARMUTH, and Mr. KHANNA.

H.R. 6097: Mr. DEFazio.

H.R. 6108: Mr. HUNTER.

H.R. 6180: Mr. SERRANO.

H.R. 6224: Mr. HIMES and Ms. TENNEY.

H.R. 6263: Mr. COFFMAN.

H.R. 6269: Mr. FLORES and Mr. MARCHANT.

H.R. 6270: Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 6288: Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico.

H.R. 6390: Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico.

H.R. 6410: Mr. SUOZZI and Mr. PERLMUTTER.

H.R. 6416: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.

H.R. 6417: Mr. MARCHANT and Mr. PALAZZO.

H.R. 6451: Mr. McCLINTOCK.

H.R. 6469: Mr. YARMUTH and Mr. ARRINGTON.

H.R. 6482: Mr. BIGGS.

H.R. 6495: Ms. LOFGREN and Mr. TAYLOR.

H.R. 6506: Mr. SESSIONS.

H.R. 6517: Mr. HIGGINS of New York and Mrs. MIMI WALTERS of California.

H.R. 6545: Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. MOULTON, and Mr. KENNEDY.

H.R. 6578: Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, and Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 6611: Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. FITZPATRICK, and Mr. CARSON of Indiana.

H.R. 6665: Mr. SABLAN.

H. Res. 370: Mr. LYNCH.

H. Res. 523: Mr. WELCH.

H. Res. 975: Mr. SUOZZI.

H. Res. 1034: Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. MESSER, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia.



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Senate

The Senate met at 1 and 1 second p.m. and was called to order by the Honorable TOM COTTON, a Senator from the State of Arkansas.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH).

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, August 14, 2018.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM COTTON, a Senator from the State of Arkansas, to perform the duties of the Chair.

ORRIN G. HATCH,

President pro tempore.

Mr. COTTON thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2018, AT 12 NOON

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until Wednesday, August 15, 2018, at 12 noon.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 1 and 25 seconds p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, August 15, at 12 noon.

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EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

REMEMBERING SHIRLEY ANN
BYARD

HON. BONNIE WATSON COLEMAN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Shirley Ann Byard, who passed away on August 5, 2018.

Mrs. Byard was born in Scotland County, North Carolina on November 13, 1940 as one of nine daughters of Clyde and Pauline Bennett. She graduated from West Badin High School, Badin, NC in 1958. Mrs. Byard attended Barber-Scotia College and Winston Salem State University and received her undergraduate degree from Rutgers University in 1972. While attending Winston Salem State, Mrs. Byard participated in the Woolworth Lunch Counter protests during the Civil Rights Movement.

Mrs. Byard came to Trenton in 1962 and later worked for the City of Trenton for 30 years. She retired in 2002 as the Program Coordinator for the Office on Aging. Prior to that Mrs. Byard held numerous positions in the city, state, and nonprofit sectors.

Mr. Speaker, Mrs. Byard was a lifetime member of the N.A.A.C.P., member of the National Political Congress of Black Women, member of the Urban League Guild of Metropolitan Trenton and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. She was also a long-time member of the Bronzettes, Inc. in affiliation with the New Jersey Federation of Colored Women's Clubs. Mrs. Byard was also a devoted and faithful member of Shiloh Baptist Church. While with family in Maryland, she fellowshiped at Community of Hope A.M.E. Church in Temple Hills.

I am grateful for Mrs. Byard's work in the Trenton area. Not only was she a loving wife, and proud mother and grandmother, she was also a faithful and uplifting presence for her entire community—particularly seniors. I personally found her to be remarkably generous in her kindness to everyone she encountered.

Mr. Speaker, frankly, we need more Shirley Ann Byards. I am happy that she leaves a shining example for future generations to emulate. It is an honor to share with the United States House of Representatives the memory of Shirley. The Trenton community, and in fact our nation as a whole, was made better through her selfless work and tireless service.

With that, on behalf of my constituents in the greater Trenton area, I ask that my colleagues join me in commemorating the wonderful life and legacy of Shirley Ann Byard.

TRIBUTE TO MARLENE AND
LARRY PEARSON

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Marlene and

Larry Pearson of Glenwood, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married on June 15, 1968 in Chicago, Illinois.

Marlene and Larry's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa values. As they reflect on their 50th anniversary, I hope it is filled with happy memories. May their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 50th year together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

RECOGNIZING THERESA "TERRIE"
IACINO

HON. JIMMY PANETTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Mr. PANETTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Theresa "Terrie" Iacino on the occasion of her retirement from her position as the Executive Director of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Monterey. Mrs. Iacino leaves behind a legacy of dedicated public service.

Mrs. Iacino was born in Denver, Colorado and obtained her bachelor's degree in 1972 from Loyola Marymount University. Mrs. Iacino worked as an administrator for the Catholic Diocese of San Jose for twenty-five years. She also taught elementary school at St. Alphonsus School in East Los Angeles and junior high in Cupertino, California. Mrs. Iacino later served as the first Director of Step of Silicon Valley, spearheaded the campaign to cut poverty at Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County, and assumed the position of Executive Director of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Monterey in 2012.

During her tenure, Mrs. Iacino was instrumental in upgrading the Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Monterey's technology system. These upgrades included the installation of vital programs and a redesign of the organization's website. In addition, Mrs. Iacino redesigned and expanded Catholic Charities Family Supportive Services, a program that provides council for lower income families on achieving financial stability. Mrs. Iacino also extended aid to immigrant families seeking lawful long-term residence in the United States by expanding the organization's Immigration and Citizenship programs.

In addition to her position with Catholic Charities, Mrs. Iacino has dedicated herself to other community causes. She has served as a member of the National Board of the Emergency Food and Shelter Program, where she fought to provide food and shelter assistance to residents in need in Monterey, Santa Cruz, San Luis Obispo, and San Benito counties.

The mission of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Monterey is to provide specified

human services to the poor and disadvantaged, promote social justice, peace, human dignity, self-determination, and self-sufficiency in accordance with the Gospel and Catholic social justice teachings. Throughout her long career, Mrs. Iacino has successfully carried out this selfless mission. Mr. Speaker, I stand with Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Monterey and the entirety of California's 20th District in expressing our gratitude for Theresa "Terrie" Iacino's many years of meritorious service.

STAND UP FOR U.S. WORKERS

**HON. GREGORIO KILILI CAMACHO
SABLAN**

OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Mr. SABLAN. Mr. Speaker, the recently announced decision to lay off "temporarily" hundreds of U.S. workers at the Imperial Pacific International casino construction site in the Northern Mariana Islands raises serious concerns about the use of foreign labor at this project. Pacific Rim, the contractor, announced the lay-off in July pending "contract renegotiations." Meanwhile, work will go on, using foreign workers with H-2B visas to replace the U.S. workers.

Even half-finished, the Imperial Pacific International casino has lifted the economy of the Marianas. So, local news has focused on reassuring the public that work to complete the casino and its associated resort would continue. But these reassurances mean little to the U.S. workers who have lost their jobs, or to their families.

It also raises the question of why the U.S. Department of Labor, as it has reported to me, issued 1,668 foreign labor certifications to Imperial Pacific International to hire the H-2B visa holders, who are now taking the jobs of U.S. workers in apparent contravention of U.S. labor law.

Labor issued these foreign labor certifications to Imperial Pacific International (IPI) despite the history of occupational safety and health and wage and hour violations that the Department previously uncovered at this job site.

In May 2017, after a worker fell to his death and multiple other, serious workplace injuries were treated at the local hospital, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration proposed \$193,750 in penalties for three of IPI's construction subcontractors.

In March 2018, the Department finalized settlements with IPI subcontractors of \$13.9 million for unpaid wages and liquidated damages owed to over 2,400 employees.

In addition to these violations of the Occupational Safety and Health Act and the Fair Labor Standards Act, a raid of the site by the Federal Bureau of Investigation also revealed that the subcontractors had been unlawfully employing persons who were admitted to the United States from China as tourists.

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This record in itself should have raised red flags at the U.S. Department of Labor. But the underlying purpose and process for foreign labor certification seems also in this case to have been subverted.

In order to obtain foreign labor certifications, which are a prerequisite to applying for an H-2B visa, an employer must attest that the job in question will be offered to any qualified and available U.S. worker who applies or is referred for the job opportunity. And in order to obtain an H-2B visa, an employer must attest that they have not laid off and will not lay off any similarly employed U.S. worker, unless the layoff is for lawful, job-related reasons and unless all H-2B workers are laid off first. The present lay-offs of U.S. workers, while work continues using H-2B workers, cannot be consistent with these employer attestations.

Let us look at the history of the Imperial Pacific International worksite:

In fiscal year 2016 the Marianas experienced a labor crisis, when the annual, numerical cap was reached for the Commonwealth Only Transitional Worker (CW) program. For the first time the Department of Homeland Security stopped accepting applications for this foreign labor program, unique to the Marianas. As the Government Accountability Office explained in a 2017 report commissioned by Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee Chairman LISA MURKOWSKI, Ranking Member MARIA CANTWELL, and I:

Demand for foreign workers in the CNMI exceeded the available number of CW-1 permits in 2016—many approved for workers from China and workers in construction occupations. The construction of a new casino in Saipan is a key factor in this demand.

In fact, GAO reported, the demand for foreign workers jumped from 9,188 in 2014 to a number exceeding the 2016 cap of 13,299, almost entirely because of the demand for construction workers. The result was to crowd out established, local businesses, who employed CW workers and to force long-time foreign workers, who had demonstrated value to our economy and established roots in our community, to return home.

Not only was this crush of construction workers at the casino site economically and socially disruptive, it also did not jibe with the rules for the CW program. CW permits are only available to employers of foreign workers who are ineligible for any other U.S. work visa. Although some of the casino construction workers held CW permits (and some were employed illegally, having entered as tourists), we now know that these workers could well have received H-2B visas. Because, as the U.S. Department of Labor has reported, it issued 1,668 H-2B foreign labor certifications to IPI.

To end further abuse of the CW program and to protect the interests of local businesses in my district and their long-term workers and their families, I introduced legislation that, among other provisions, prohibited any further use of CW permits for new construction workers in the Marianas. Chairman MURKOWSKI observed at her committee's hearing on my bill, H.R. 339, that this bar on the use of CW permits for new construction workers was in her view the most important provision. Not only did it curb the abuse of the CW permit, but it was also meant to force the federal government to make the determination, through the foreign labor certification process, of whether U.S. workers were available for any construc-

tion jobs on offer. President Trump signed my bill into law in August 2017. It became U.S. Public Law 115-53.

IPI quickly responded to these new constraints by hiring Pacific Rim, a U.S.-based firm, to continue construction of the casino. And Pacific Rim president and owner Keith Stewart announced to the Guam Daily Post that he was looking to hire hundreds of skilled U.S. tradesmen for the work. I include in the RECORD comments from Edward Deleon Guerrero, Executive Director of the Commonwealth Casino Commission, who reacted positively to this news in an interview with KSPN-TV in January 2018:

Reporter: IPI is currently in contractual conversations with a new construction company, Pacific Rim, to finish the resort.

Guerrero: We are more confident when we are dealing with a U.S. construction company.

Reporter: IPI's previous, Chinese-based construction companies brought in illegal construction workers and ultimately caused progress on the building to come to a standstill, once the FBI realized what was going on. Guerrero hopes to avoid, quote, 'another fiasco like that from happening again.'

Guerrero: Definitely do not want to see a repeat of that.

Reporter: This time around, however, the work will be done with mostly U.S. based workers.

Guerrero: It is my understanding that all, I mean, most, if not all of the workers are U.S. construction workers.

In March, Pacific Rim held a job fair on Guam, which drew enthusiastic response from U.S. workers, who expressed a willingness to move to Saipan for new work opportunities and the chance to earn overtime and per diem, in addition to their regular pay. At the fair Pacific Rim General Superintendent Tony Costa confirmed to the Post that his company wanted to have around 500 U.S. workers on the IPI site.

Marianas Governor Ralph Torres even testified with pride before the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee on February 6 of this year about the turnaround:

I'm proud to announce that because of learning of an issue that was experienced last year, we have signed U.S. contractors to finish the hotel of the casino that was signed, I believe, less than a month ago that will be hiring more U.S. workers to finish the construction of the hotel site.

The Governor also said IPI intended to complete construction by August 2018 and assured the Committee that his administration was closely monitoring labor conditions at the site. It should be noted, too, that the original casino license agreement included the stated objective to have permanent U.S. residents be at least 65 percent of all employees—an objective that has not been met.

The Governor's testimony came at the hearing held to consider the Northern Mariana Islands U.S. Workforce Act, legislation that Chairman MURKOWSKI and I had jointly introduced to incentivize the hiring of U.S. workers in the Marianas. President Trump signed the Act into law on July 24. Among other new protections for U.S. workers, Public Law 115-218 extends to the CW program the requirement for prior U.S. Department of Labor labor certifications, a stipulation the Governor, the Marianas Legislature, and our business community all rightly agreed to.

Despite all these efforts and assurances to U.S. workers, however, at the same time IPI

had begun the process of applying for foreign labor certifications from the U.S. Department of Labor with the intent to secure H-2B visas and hire foreign construction workers. Nominally, these foreign workers were to buttress, not replace Pacific Rim's U.S. workforce. Instead, U.S. workers have now lost their jobs, replaced by foreign workers. Attestations to the U.S. Department of Labor that U.S. workers would not be laid off and replaced with foreign workers have not proven true. Assurances by the Governor to keep watch on the Imperial Pacific job site seem hollow in light of recent events.

This must stop.

The people of the Northern Mariana Islands, whom I represent, are tired of having outside, foreign interests time-after-time give our islands a black eye by skirting the law, cutting corners on safety, playing fast and loose with the rules and thinking they can get away with it, beholden only to their bottom line and a handful of high-ranking local officials.

The U.S. Department of Labor, after enabling IPI by granting 1,668 foreign labor certifications, must take immediate action to step up enforcement and ensure IPI maintains absolute compliance with U.S. law.

TRIBUTE TO VERLENE AND DEAN ARCHER

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Verlene and Dean Archer of Orient, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 70th wedding anniversary.

Verlene and Dean's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies our Iowa values. As they reflect on their 70th anniversary, may their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker I commend this great couple on their 70th year together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion and in wishing them both nothing but continued success.

ACKNOWLEDGING MS. JENY WALKER UPON HER RETIREMENT AS CEMETERY DIRECTOR AT MOUNTAIN HOME NATIONAL CEMETERY

HON. DAVID P. ROE

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Mr. ROE of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge Ms. Jeny Walker upon her retirement as Cemetery Director at Mountain Home National Cemetery. Ms. Walker was named Director of Mountain Home National Cemetery effective July 27, 2015. She was responsible for all burial, maintenance and administrative operations at the facility.

Prior to this assignment, Ms. Walker served as Assistant Director of Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery from August 2014. She completed the National Cemetery Administration's comprehensive, year-long Cemetery Director Intern Program in August 2014.

Jeny is a pillar of her community and has brought much peace and comfort to Veterans and their families in the entire Northeastern Tennessee region. She has led significant improvement and expansion efforts at the cemetery to include an expansion project that doubles the size of the cemetery and will provide an additional 50 years of gravesite availability for veterans and their families. She also led her team to a recent National Cemetery Administration Organizational Assessment and Improvement award for exemplary performance in key management and operational areas such as customer service, cemetery service, and access to information. Jeny's enduring legacy includes a book she published about Mountain Home National Cemetery entitled, *A Book of Heroes: Discover Their Story, Honor Their Sacrifice*. In her three years as the Cemetery Director at Mountain Home, Jeny was driven to serve veterans and their families. She was a VA ambassador in the community and was led by the principles of servant leadership. When several headstones and monuments were vandalized at Old Gray Cemetery in Knoxville, Jeny organized a group of employee volunteers to spend a Saturday afternoon to share their expertise and repair the broken monuments and reset the headstones. This is a testament to the special kind of person Jeny is.

I include in the RECORD a message Jeny wrote her colleagues upon retirement:

Long ago and far away, working in my first cemetery as an intern, I found this on a headstone. I've kept it and read it often because it eloquently states exactly what I feel: Remember me. Think of me. Love me as you do now. Essentially nothing changes by my leaving. If I were to ask anything of you, it's that you pray I will have more time than I think I do. More time with family. More time having fun. More time to live. Much love for each of you, Jeny.

I am grateful for Jeny's service to veterans and wish her peace. She is in my prayers and in the prayers of so many. I'd also like to thank the National Cemetery Administration for sharing Jeny's background.

HONORING ELMER JOSEPH
"ALMO" LORENZI

HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Elmer Joseph "EJ" Lorenzi, an upstanding member of the Merced community, who has been recognized as "Man of the Year" for the 2018 Harvest of Hope by Catholic Charities of Merced.

EJ was born on May 18, 1931 at Mercy Hospital in Merced to Giuseppe and Rita Bernardi Lorenzi. Within a few, short years, it became clear that EJ was destined for an extraordinary life of serving others. His life-long dedication to service began at the age of 10, when EJ played the accordion for the United Service Organization to help raise money for war bonds.

From that moment, EJ's service and dedication to the Merced community never wavered. While he established himself as a mainstay in the business community, EJ's focus continued to be service. He has been a member of the 3rd degree and 4th degree Knights of Columbus Council 2384 for over six decades. He has served Merced with integrity and honor through the Merced City Chamber of Commerce, Merced Little League, and as Ambassador for the City Council of Merced.

EJ also served on many advisory boards in Merced County. EJ's tireless leadership as chairman of the advisory committee for Measure C was instrumental in passing the measure, which is expected to raise millions for the police and fire departments in Merced.

EJ has also been instrumental in restoring several historic buildings in Merced that were slated for destruction. Historic sites such as Bob Hart Square and Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church, still stand today because of EJ's unwavering leadership.

EJ's service to his community has always been backed by his lovely family. EJ married his high school sweetheart Evelyn Weres in June of 1950. Together, EJ and Evelyn have five children, ten grandchildren, and nine great grandchildren, who will carry on the family's great legacy.

At the spry age of eighty-seven years old, EJ continues to serve his community however he can, guided by the same three principles that have followed him throughout his life: God family, and his Catholic faith.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring the exceptional life of Elmer Joseph Lorenzi. I wish him and Catholic Charities of Merced the best as he is recognized for his contributions to our community.

HONORING THE EXTRAORDINARY
LIFE OF BRIDGETT "BIDDY"
MASON

HON. NANETTE DIAZ BARRAGÁN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Ms. BARRAGÁN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the extraordinary life of Bridgett "Biddy" Mason and to declare August 15, 2018 to be Biddy Mason Day in California's 44th Congressional District.

Whereas on August 15, 1818, Bridgett "Biddy" Mason was born into slavery in Hancock County Georgia.

Whereas at the age of 15, Biddy was given to the Smith family as a wedding present and moved from Mississippi to Utah, and eventually San Bernardino, California;

Whereas with the help of friends in California and despite challenges, Biddy Mason gained knowledge of her rights and fought to be freed from slavery;

Whereas 10 years after obtaining her freedom, Biddy Mason became a midwife, earning enough money to purchase her first piece of property on north Spring Street in Downtown Los Angeles where she served her community;

Whereas Biddy Mason became one of the first real estate moguls in Los Angeles and a stellar businesswoman;

Whereas in 1862 Biddy Mason, along with John Ballard, Jeremiah Redding, Charles

Owens, Louis Green, John Hall and Samuel Johns founded the historic First African Methodist Episcopal Church in her living room;

Whereas the date of August 15, 2018, marks the 200th Birthday of this remarkable woman; and

Now Therefore I declare and hereby recognize August 15, 2018 to be Bridgett "Biddy" Mason Day in the 44th Congressional District of California.

TRIBUTE TO LOUISE AND JOHN
HART

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Louise and John Hart of Winterset, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary.

Their lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa's values. As the years pass, may their love continue to grow even stronger and may they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many more years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 60 years together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

SALUTING SPC. CLAUDIA
BRODEUR FOR HER DEPLOY-
MENT WITH THE U.S. ARMY RE-
SERVES

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Spc. Claudia Brodeur as she deploys to Africa as a member of the United States Army Reserves.

Spc. Brodeur, well-known by her community as a cheerful manager at the Pearl Street Pub in Watertown, New York, is off to Africa for her deployment as a proud member of the U.S. Army Reserves. A true patriot dedicated to both her local community and to her country, Spc. Brodeur will join the Combined Joint Task Force—Horn of Africa (CJTF—HOA). Under the CJTF—HOA, the United States works with its African partner nations to counter violent extremist organizations in East Africa, as well as build defense capability among its East African partners. Spc. Brodeur will support this important mission as a member of an attachment to the 403rd Civil Affairs Battalion in support of the Combined Task Force's mobilization and deployment efforts.

On behalf of New York's 21st district, I want to join Spc. Brodeur's family and friends in wishing her well in Africa, and extend my thanks for her dedicated service to the United States.

INTRODUCTION OF THE DISTRICT
OF COLUMBIA CHIEF FINANCIAL
OFFICER SALARY HOME RULE
ACT

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today I introduced the District of Columbia Chief Financial Officer Salary Home Rule Act. This bill would give the District of Columbia the authority to set the pay of the D.C. Chief Financial Officer (CFO). There is no reason the District should not have the authority to set the wage of a local official who is paid with local funds.

In 2013, Congress enacted a law that gave the District more authority to set the CFO's pay. However, Congress did not give D.C. full and complete authority over this local matter. This bill would give D.C. the authority to set the CFO's pay as it sees fit. The 2013 law amended the Home Rule Act to change the CFO's pay from a fixed rate of pay that was tied to a federal pay schedule to a maximum allowable pay, or ceiling, tied to a federal pay schedule. The ceiling was and is substantially higher than the fixed rate, but the CFO's pay is now \$1,000 below the maximum.

I introduced the 2013 bill after a D.C. CFO search committee indicated that the fixed rate of pay was not high enough to attract the best talent needed for this complex and demanding job. The responsibilities of the CFO, a position created by Congress, are unique in the United States. The CFO is extraordinarily powerful and independent. The District cannot obligate or expend funds without the CFO's approval, and the CFO can be terminated only "for cause." The District needs the authority to be able to pay the rate demanded by the market and necessary to retain and attract the best CFOs, especially since the District must compete with the private sector for highly qualified CFOs.

This is an important step to increase home rule for the District, and I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

TRIBUTE TO SUSIE AND TOM
ENARSON

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Susie and Tom Enarson of Villisca, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. They were married on June 29, 1958 at the Villisca United Methodist Church.

Susie and Tom's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa values. As they reflect on their 60th anniversary, I hope it is filled with happy memories. May their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 60th year together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

HONORING CAPTAIN JOSEPH O.
QUINTANA

HON. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Captain Joseph O. Quintana of the United States Navy, who is retiring this month after a distinguished 25 year career. Captain Quintana has spent the last quarter century serving our country in a variety of reserve and active duty leadership roles in the logistics, fuels, and transportation fields.

Captain Quintana received his Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the University of New Mexico in 1983. He went on to receive a Master of Science degree in Leadership from the University of Texas at El Paso. Captain Quintana earned his commission through the Navy's Direct Commissioning Officer Program in 1993 and completed the Basic Qualification Course at the Navy Supply Corps School in 1995.

From 2005 to 2006, Captain Quintana served in Kuwait and Iraq as Charlie Company Commander for Navy Customs Battalion Papa. In 2007, he served as Interim Fuels Officer at FLC Pearl Harbor, responding to a large fuel spill. From 2008 to 2011, Captain Quintana became the only Navy Officer ever assigned as Command Inspector General of Joint Task Force North at Fort Bliss in El Paso, Texas. He then served with the International Security Assistance Force in Afghanistan from 2012 to 2013, where he was Officer-in-Charge of the In-Transit Visibility Cell. In this role, he was tasked with transporting over \$2 billion worth of vehicles and ammunition to locations throughout Afghanistan.

Captain Quintana's distinguished career has earned him a multitude of honors including the Joint Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

Mr. Speaker, I want to congratulate Captain Joseph O. Quintana on his well-deserved retirement and thank him for his career of distinguished service to our country.

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL HEALTH
CENTER WEEK TO CELEBRATE
THE LEGACY OF AMERICA'S
HEALTH CENTERS AND RECOGNIZE
THEIR VITAL ROLE IN
SHAPING THE PAST, PRESENT,
AND FUTURE OF AMERICA'S
HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

HON. NANETTE DIAZ BARRAGÁN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Ms. BARRAGÁN. Mr. Speaker, Whereas for over 50 years, community health centers have provided high-quality, affordable, comprehensive primary and preventive health care in our Nation's underserved communities, delivering value to, and having a significant impact on, America's health care system;

Whereas as the country's largest primary care network, health centers are the health care home for 27,000,000 Americans in over 10,000 communities across the Nation, and 1 in every 12 people in the United States gets his or her care in a health center;

Whereas health centers are a critical element of the health system, serving both rural and urban populations, and often providing the only accessible and dependable source of primary care in their communities;

Whereas nationwide, health centers serve 1 in every 6 residents of rural areas; Whereas every day, health centers develop new approaches to integrating a wide range of services beyond primary care, including oral health, vision, behavioral health, and pharmacy services, to meet the needs and challenges of their communities;

Whereas health centers are governed by patient-majority boards, ensuring that the patients of each health center are engaged in their own health care decisions;

Whereas health centers are locally owned and operated small businesses that serve as critical economic engines, helping to power local economies by generating \$45,600,000,000 in economic impact in some of the country's most economically deprived communities;

Whereas health centers nationally employ more than 200,000 people, including physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and certified nurse midwives who work as part of multidisciplinary clinical teams designed to treat the whole patient;

Whereas the health center model continues to prove an effective means of overcoming barriers to health care access, including geography, income, and insurance status, and in doing so, improves health care outcomes and reduces health care system costs;

Whereas health centers reduce overall costs of care by helping manage patients' chronic conditions, which keeps them out of costlier health care settings like hospital emergency rooms;

Whereas health centers are on the frontlines of emerging health care crises, providing access to care for our Nation's veterans, addressing the opioid epidemic, and responding to public health threats in the wake of natural disasters;

Whereas National Health Center Week is an annual celebration that will be held from August 12, 2018, through August 18, 2018;

Whereas National Health Center Week offers the opportunity to recognize America's nearly 1,400 health center organizations with over 10,400 service delivery sites, their dedicated staff, board members, patients, and all those responsible for their continued success and growth since the first health centers opened their doors more than 50 years ago; and

Whereas during National Health Center Week, we celebrate the legacy of America's health centers, and their vital role in shaping the past, present, and future of America's health care system.

Now Therefore that the House of Representatives recognizes the week of August 12-18th as National Health Center Week; and

Encourages all Americans to take part in this week by visiting their local health center and celebrating the important partnership between America's health centers and the communities they serve.

TRIBUTE TO DARLENE AND
MICHAEL SHELTON

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Darlene and Michael Shelton of Underwood, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. They celebrated their anniversary on June 16, 2018.

Darlene and Michael's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa values. As they reflect on their 50th anniversary, I hope it is filled with happy memories. May their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 50th year together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

HONORING MONSIGNOR ANTHONY
JANELLI

HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the career and achievements of Monsignor Anthony Janelli, a longtime clergyman of the Catholic church, and a lifelong resident of the Central Valley. With over 50 years of service to the Church, Fr. Janelli has selflessly dedicated his time to the welfare of people in his clergies.

Fr. Janelli was born in Visalia, California on May 22, 1936 to Ermalinda and Joe Janelli. The oldest of four children, Father Janelli's devotion to duty and faith quickly became apparent. After attending George McCann Catholic School and Santa Clara University that sense of duty led Fr. Janelli to enlist in the United States Army. During the Cold War, he served as a Fire Control Officer in a Nike Missile anti-aircraft battery with the rank of 1st Lieutenant. Upon leaving the Army, Fr. Janelli found himself devoted to another duty: his Catholic faith.

In 1960, Fr. Janelli entered St. John's Seminary of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles to become a priest and spread the word of God. Four years later, he was ordained a priest for the diocese of Monterey-Fresno at St. John's Cathedral. Since then, Fr. Janelli's devotion to his faith and to the people of the communities he so nobly served, has never wavered. He became an Associate to St. Therese Parish in Fresno, followed by assignments to churches in Los Banos and Reedley. In 1971, he was appointed Pastor of St. Elizabeth Parish in McFarland, and in 1973 he joined the Pastoral Team in Merced where he remained until 1980. In 1980, Fr. Janelli sought to further his devotion to the Catholic faith, and to that end, he took a Sabbatical to study Spirituality at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh.

However, Fr. Janelli's heart has always been with the people of his local community. After completing his studies in Spirituality, Fr.

Janelli returned to the San Joaquin Valley, where he served as Vicar of Clergy, Rector of the Cathedral and as Pastor of churches in Livingston, Porterville, Dinuba, and Planada. While serving as Vicar of Clergy, Fr. Janelli was honored for his life's work by Pope John Paul II, who designated Fr. Janelli a Monsignor for his exceptional devotion to his community.

Fr. Janelli officially retired in June of 2008, but his duty to the Church has never faltered. He has assisted numerous parishes in the Dioceses of Fresno and Sacramento and served for some time as Pastor of Yosemite. He currently is the Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Planada and LeGrand.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the career and achievements of Fr. Anthony Janelli. His tireless commitment to duty, and his devotion to the Catholic church has enriched the lives of countless people. There is no doubt that Fr. Janelli has left a lasting impact on our Valley for which we are deeply grateful.

RECOGNIZING THE PUYALLUP
TRIBE AND THE PARTICIPANTS
OF THE 2018 CANOE JOURNEY

HON. DEREK KILMER

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Mr. KILMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Puyallup Tribe and all participants in the 2018 Canoe Journey.

This annual journey began in 1989 with Native Americans providing a vital voice in shaping the State of Washington's centennial. Now, all these years later, tribes from Alaska all the way to Willapa Bay have participated in this powerful cultural event.

Over the last few weeks, thousands of people from dozens of tribes put their canoes in the water and connected with one another. They participated in a celebration of heritage; sharing songs, stories, dances, and gifts.

But, beyond that, they celebrated the theme of Honoring Our Medicine. They gathered to honor the medicine of the Salish Sea and the waters that have been the lifeblood of past generations and that will be the lifeblood of our future as long as we rise to their challenge.

Mr. Speaker, Congressman HECK and I have stood on this floor many times and spoken about the importance of Puget Sound, our nation's largest estuary. The Sound is an icon of our region. It supports treaty rights and recreation. It supports shellfish growing and fisheries. It's a place where families—including my own—make memories. It is a legacy passed from generation to generation. It is a central part of who we are as Washingtonians. But this body of water—and others like it—are at risk. They are threatened.

The tribes that participated in the Paddle—and Native American leaders throughout our region—have shown more commitment, more leadership, more drive, more partnership, and more passion for recovering this vital body of water than any other. They have seen our waters as sacred—as givers of life. They have recognized that these waters are a lifeforce. That they are gifts from the creator. They have recognized that our passion for this medicine

cannot simply be based in nostalgia and tradition but, rather, must be grounded in a hope for the future.

It is not enough for us to say thank you. We must back up those words with deeds. We must commit ourselves to protecting these waters and to preserving the majesty of our natural resources. We must recognize that our federal government must simply do better—on every day in every way—to value these treasures.

Mr. Speaker, there is a saying that change is inevitable, but progress is optional. Too often, we have seen change that has not meant progress. Too often we have moved backward and jeopardized our lifeblood. We must do better.

Mr. Speaker, today I want to express my gratitude to the Puyallup Tribe for hosting this important event and for all that they have done to strengthen our region for so long. And here in the United States Congress, I want to honor—and in the traditional custom, I want to raise my hands to—every person who participated in the paddle.

TRIBUTE TO JUDY AND JACK
MCFARLAND

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Judy and Jack McFarland of Afton, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary.

Their lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa's values. As the years pass, may their love continue to grow even stronger and may they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many more years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 60 years together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MICHAEL
CHERUBINI

HON. ELISE M. STEFANK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Ms. STEFANK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and memory of Michael Cherubini, who passed away on July 4, 2018.

Mike lived a life of dedication to his country and community. A Vietnam War veteran from the U.S. Army, Mike committed his civilian life to helping others as a life-time volunteer firefighter. Mike served in the Hackensack, New Jersey, and South Hackensack, New Jersey, Ambulance and Fire Departments before joining the Hague Volunteer Fire Department in New York, totaling over 50 years of service. Throughout his career, he held the roles of both captain and chief in various departments.

Mike suffered an honorable death while in the line of duty. He was an exemplary member of his community and his memory will be

forever cherished in the hearts of the many people he touched throughout his life. I would like to offer my deepest condolences to Mike's family and friends, especially his wife, five sons, and eight grandchildren, by whom he will be greatly missed.

REMEMBERING GENE GREENE

HON. TONY CÁRDENAS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Mr. CÁRDENAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of one of my constituents, Gene Greene.

Gene will be remembered as an icon of our community. As a Landscape Architect and Director of the Japanese Garden in Van Nuys, California, Mr. Greene oversaw the beautiful garden since its dedication in 1984, where he personally set the final 28 stones. Thanks to his work, The Garden has been published in several books, websites, and television programs. The Los Angeles Times once characterized the Japanese Garden as "Gene's Garden" because of his strong connection to the land.

A humble and generous man, Gene was known for giving credit and not taking it. He always commended the volunteers and docents for their roles in making the Japanese Garden such an iconic landmark of Los Angeles. Everything he did was a true testament of his love for his work, his family, and the community he served.

Gene dedicated his life to public service. He started his career as an intern for the Los Angeles City government before proudly serving in the U.S. Army, where he earned a National Defense Service Medal. Gene was an Eagle Scout, and he credits the training he received there with helping him become an expert rifleman in the military.

Gene attended the California State Polytechnic University at Pomona where he majored in Landscape Architecture. His gift for design and architecture led him to the Bureau of Engineering in the City of Los Angeles. There, he was assigned to work with Dr. Koichi Kawana, lead project architect of the Japanese Garden.

Gene is a fixture of the community and his legacy will never be forgotten. With his dedication to his work and family, Gene will continue inspiring generations of Angelenos. My prayers go to his wife Lynn, his four daughters, and his five grandchildren.

TRIBUTE TO CONNIE AND BOB
JORGENSEN

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Connie and Bob Jorgensen of Avoca, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married on July 6, 1968 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca, Iowa.

Connie and Bob's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa values. As they reflect on their 50th anniversary, I hope it is filled with happy memories. May their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 50th year together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met at 1:00:01 p.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 1:00:25 p.m. until 12 noon, on Wednesday, August 15, 2018.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 3 public bills, H.R. 6669–6671, were introduced. **Page H7754**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H7754**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2591, to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to modernize the funding of wildlife conservation, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–899);

H.R. 6038, to establish a procedure for the conveyance of certain Federal property around the Dickinson Reservoir in the State of North Dakota, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–900); and

H.R. 6039, to establish a procedure for the conveyance of certain Federal property around the Jamestown Reservoir in the State of North Dakota, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–901). **Page H7754**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Poe (TX) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7753**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. Michael Wilker, Lutheran Church of the Reformation, Washington, DC. **Page H7753**

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2018

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine national parks legislation, 4 p.m., SD–366.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12 noon, Wednesday, August 15

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, August 17

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of A. Marvin Quattlebaum, Jr., of South Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination at 5:30 p.m.

(Senate will recess following consideration of the nomination of A. Marvin Quattlebaum, Jr., until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Friday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 9 a.m.

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