

Community Service Award: Doves & Eagles of Faith—Mrs. April Barrett and Roses Home Healthcare—Ms. Michelle Wimberly  
Professional Leadership Award: Mrs. Beverly Johnson and Mr. Kevin Williams  
Business Achievement Award: Dunkin Donuts—Mr. Jerome Johnson and We Do Weddings, Etc.—Mrs. Cheri Walker

Christian Service Award: Mrs. Lousia Cannon and Trustee Donnell Richardson  
Faithfulness Award: Ms. Annie Brown and Ms. Christine Dunbar

Dedication Christian Family Award: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McCastle & Family  
Senior Christian Service Award: Miss Kristen Mitchell and Mr. Blake Conquest

Junior Christian Service Award: Mr. Aaron Dade and Mr. Cameron Harris

2016 High School Senior Scholarship Recipients: Mr. Blake Conquest, Mr. Tyland Crawford, Mr. James Curtis, Miss La'Ren Davis, Miss Kira Dixon, Miss Kaelyn Larry, Miss Kristen Mitchell, and Miss Seqouyah Portee

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in commending the 2016 Dale City Multicultural Achievement Awards recipients and in thanking them for their individual efforts to ensure we each maintain a quality life and live a better tomorrow.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. GWEN MOORE

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Ms. MOORE. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to make it to the April 28, 2016, vote on H.J. Res. 88. If present, I would have voted NO on H.J. Res. 88, the resolution to disapprove of the final Department of Labor fiduciary duty rule.

The Department of Labor thoughtfully and carefully crafted the rule over five years with the input of thousands of written comments from academics, advocacy groups, and industry and the benefit of 4 days of field hearings and hundreds of meetings. The final rule will protect retirement savers from conflicts of interest that encourage advisors to prioritize their financial gain over that of their clients.

#### TRIBUTE TO HALEY CARLSON

### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Haley Carlson of Atlantic, Iowa, for receiving the highest Future Farmer of America (FFA) Award, the Iowa Farmer Degree Award. Haley is a member of the Atlantic Future Farmer of America Chapter.

Haley has a strong commitment to agriculture and hopes to be involved in agriculture in the future. Haley said, "To accomplish this goal is really motivating." Her plans include an agriculture education and becoming an advocate for agriculture issues. In order for Haley to receive this award it took many years of hard work and determination to be successful

in agriculture. She has been an active member in the Atlantic FFA Chapter, exhibited livestock at the Cass County Fair and served as an officer of her FFA Chapter, as well as participating in numerous activities and contests. Haley had to accomplish a supervised agriculture experience project, maintain records of the project, and complete an application for consideration in completing her requirements for the award.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud and congratulate Haley for earning this award. It is with great pride that I recognize her today. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating her accomplishments and in wishing her nothing but continued success in her future endeavors in agriculture.

#### CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF DR. FREDERICK V. MILLER

### HON. DEBBIE WASSERMAN SCHULTZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Dr. Frederick V. Miller of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Dr. Miller was an inspiration to all those who knew him—

From his selfless and passionate work on behalf of our society's most vulnerable people—critically-ill newborn and premature infants;

To his service in the United States Army; To his business career that helped care for South Floridians;

He truly lived a life of public service, with a vigor and spirit that lifted up every person he knew.

I had the distinct pleasure and privilege in the Florida Legislature to work with Dr. Miller to pass the "Drive Thru Baby Bill" which mandated that insurance companies cover the care after a birth that new mothers need—not the middling coverage they received before Dr. Miller lent his voice and service to our efforts.

Recognizing a problem with too many newborns being born with hearing challenges that went undetected, Dr. Miller worked with me to pass the Newborn Infant Screening Act to ensure that all newborns in the State of Florida had their hearing checked soon after birth.

I will always remember him as a man of science;

A kind man who cared deeply for his patients and;

A man who worked tirelessly to better the lives of mothers and children.

My thoughts are with his wife Sharon; his sons Harrison and Sterling; and their entire extended family.

#### RECOGNIZING THE HONOREES OF THE 2016 PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS AWARDS

### HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the honorees of the 2016 Prince Wil-

liam County Chamber of Commerce Business Awards.

The Prince William Chamber of Commerce is comprised of a diverse membership, which represents nearly 70,000 employees. Together, they create a sustainable environment where businesses and people thrive by focusing on business growth, economic development, advocacy, education, and community outreach.

For the fifth year in a row, the Chamber will recognize excellence in business, innovative practices, and outstanding contributions to the community at the 2016 Prince William Chamber Business Awards. This year, the Chamber adds the Charles J. Colgan Visionary Award and industry-specific awards to ensure varying industry sectors have the chance to stand out. The annual awards ceremony is held to honor local businesses, business leaders, and individuals who promote and advance a vital and healthy business environment through their commitment to strengthening opportunity and prosperity in the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan region.

It is my honor to submit the 2016 Prince William Chamber of Commerce Business Award recipients:

Excellence in Small Business Award: Harry H. Horning Financial Services.

Business Excellence Award: Micron Technology, Inc.

Emerging Business Award: FreshySites.

Innovative Practice/Partnership of the Year Award: Heavy Construction Contractors Association.

Community Outreach Award: Bookworm Central.

Government Contractor of the Year Award: Zeiders Enterprises, Inc.

Outstanding Customer Service Award: Okra's Cajun Creole.

Tech Company of the Year Award: Tracen Technologies, Inc.

Agnes L. Community Service—Arts and Education Award: Christ Chapel Academy.

Agnes L. Community Service—Health and Human Services Award: Habitat for Humanity of Prince William County.

Charles J. Colgan Visionary Award: Parr and Associates.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues join me in commending the Prince William Chamber of Commerce and in congratulating the 2016 Chamber Business Awards winners for their outstanding service and achievements. Their efforts, on behalf of a diverse community population, ensure the continued development of Prince William County as one of the premier counties in the United States in which to live, work, and play.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF DELTA KAPPA GAMMA'S MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER

### HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the many accomplishments of the Massachusetts chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma (DKG) on the seventy-fifth anniversary of its founding. Delta Kappa Gamma has

played an integral role in supporting women in education across the world. Here at home, the Alpha Upsilon chapter has been promoting their values of uniting, honoring and advancing female educators in our very midst for seven-five years.

Founded in 1929 in Austin, Texas, Delta Kappa Gamma was conceived as a forum for teachers from all environments to come together in the spirit of professional betterment. DKG has always sought to reach out to teachers from all walks of life. From rural school teachers to urban college professors, it has been the vision of the organization to celebrate distinguished female educators.

On June 30, 1941, the Alpha Upsilon chapter of DKG was established at the historic Park Plaza Hotel in downtown Boston as the 44th such chapter in the nation. Since its founding, this Massachusetts chapter has flourished—providing many opportunities and resources for its active members.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in thanking the women of Delta Kappa Gamma for all they have done in advancing the cause of education around the world and in celebrating their 75th anniversary.

CONGRATULATING KEITH LEVY OF ROYAL CANIN USA FOR RECEIVING THE CITY OF ST. CHARLES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT 2016 EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR AWARD—MANUFACTURING/INDUSTRIAL CATEGORY

### HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a constituent of mine, Keith Levy. He is the President of Royal Canin USA and is receiving the 2016 Employer of the Year Award, in the Manufacturing/Industrial Category from the City of St. Charles Economic Development Department.

Royal Canin USA is a global dog and cat food company which originated in France in 1968. In the United States, you'll find Royal Canin associates hard at work at the company's headquarters and manufacturing facilities located in St. Charles, Missouri. Royal Canin USA has created an inviting workplace for its employees with numerous incentives: family day for all associates to attend with their families, pet friendly offices where associates can bring their pets to work, take your sons and daughters to work day, and two off-leash dog parks outside its offices.

Over the last year, Royal Canin USA has added 25 associates in the St. Charles office and 100 overall. It has expanded its office to add workspace for 90 new associates. Royal Canin USA honors the longstanding tradition of rewarding its employees for their dedication and work. Associates are eligible for bonuses and to be recognized by Royal Canin's "Make a Difference Program." This program recognizes employees who have made a positive impact on the company.

Royal Canin USA's dedication to the community is made evident by its involvement with numerous community leadership initiatives. Royal Canin provides dog food to the state's Puppies for Parole program, where offenders

train shelter dogs. This training makes the dogs eligible for adoption, while positively impacting the inmates and offenders. Royal Canin also hosted an Advanced Puppies for Parole Gala, which was attended by the First Lady of Missouri. In addition, the dog food company donates food to a pet food bank called "Rescue Bank." This bank distributes pet food to shelters in need across the country. Royal Canin USA recently held a local 5k run and walk with proceeds benefitting a local dog therapy association.

I ask you to join me in recognizing Royal Canin USA for its accomplishment as the 2016 Employer of the Year Award—Manufacturing/Industrial Category.

HONORING GOVERNOR JOSEPH KERNAN FOR A DISTINGUISHED CAREER IN PUBLIC SERVICE

### HON. JACKIE WALORSKI

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Mrs. WALORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize former Governor Joseph E. Kernan and honor him for a long career in public service.

Kernan is the oldest of nine children and a graduate of St. Joseph High School in South Bend, Indiana. He attended the University of Notre Dame where he was a catcher on the baseball team and earned a degree in government. Upon graduation, Kernan joined the U.S. Navy where he served as a Naval Flight Officer aboard the U.S.S. *Kitty Hawk*. During a reconnaissance mission over North Vietnam, Kernan was shot down and held captive as a POW for nearly 11 months. After his release from captivity, Kernan continued to serve his country on active duty. He was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal, two Purple Hearts, and the Distinguished Flying Cross for his service.

After his military service, Kernan worked in the private sector as a successful businessman before serving as South Bend's City Controller from 1980 to 1984. In 1987, he was elected Mayor of South Bend and would become the longest serving mayor in the city's history.

In 1996, Frank O'Bannon and Kernan were elected as Indiana's governor and lieutenant governor and were reelected in 2000. As lieutenant governor, Kernan served as president of the Indiana Senate, director of the Indiana Department of Commerce, and commissioner of Agriculture. In particular, Kernan played a vital role in improving services for veterans, having spearheaded a Veterans Outreach Initiative to educate veterans on available benefits through the state and federal government.

In 2003, after the unfortunate passing of Governor Frank O'Bannon, Kernan assumed the role of Governor until 2005. Since then, he has been active in the community, serving in various leadership roles.

Governor Kernan and his wife Maggie have spent their careers serving the city, state, and nation. On behalf of Hoosiers in the Second Congressional District, it is my honor to thank them both for their service and sacrifice to our community.

HONORING SHIRLEY DOBSON

### HON. ROBERT B. ADERHOLT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Mr. ADERHOLT. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize and honor Mrs. Shirley Dobson on her 25 years of service as the chair of the National Day of Prayer Task Force. With the focus being to mobilize prayer and to encourage personal repentance and righteousness in the culture of the United States of America, the National Day of Prayer includes over 40,000 prayer gatherings in all 50 states. Millions of people across the nation participate at courthouses, city halls, community centers and at the U.S. Capitol Complex in Washington, D.C.

The National Day of Prayer is an annual observance that occurs on the first Thursday in May and people of all faiths are asked to pray for the nation. The National Day of Prayer dates back to 1952 when a joint resolution was passed by both the House and the Senate.

Shirley Dobson has worked diligently along with so many others over the last 25 years to bring the nation together around prayer. In addition to her leadership with the National Day of Prayer Task Force, Mrs. Dobson is nationally recognized for her many contributions to women's affairs, Christian Organizations, and the institution of the family.

Shirley Dobson has been invited to the White House by many Presidents over the past 30 years and has been recognized by numerous national organizations that are focused on faith, family and spreading God's word to the world.

Mrs. Dobson is also an author. She and Gloria Gaither have co-authored a four-book series for families. The books are focused squarely on faith and the family and how those two should always go hand-in-hand. Shirley and her daughter also wrote a book together titled, *Welcome to Our Table*.

Shirley Dobson is the wife of psychologist and author, Dr. James Dobson, founder of Family Talk. She and her husband reside in Colorado Springs, Colorado and have two grown children, Danae and Ryan. They also are proud grandparents of two grandchildren.

It is my privilege to honor such a fine person as Shirley Dobson and to recognize her contributions to faith and family in America and especially her tremendous work with the National Day of Prayer.

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF AURORA,  
COLORADO

### HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 29, 2016*

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate my hometown of Aurora, Colorado on its 125th birthday.

Aurora has been a center of rich history throughout its 125 years as a city.

In the year 1866, on the heels of the gold rush, a man named Thomas Gully and his family decided to settle into a quiet ranching and farming life in what is now the city center of Aurora.