

GUTHRIE'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. ROBERT B. ADERHOLT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

Mr. ADERHOLT. Mr. Speaker, I want to congratulate Guthrie's Chicken based in my hometown of Haleyville, Alabama for 50 years in the 4th Congressional District, Alabama and the southeastern United States.

In 1965 Hal Guthrie opened a drive-in restaurant in Haleyville serving hamburgers, barbeque, fish and fried chicken.

Eighteen years after opening, Hal Guthrie decided to add chicken fingers to the menu, which included a family created dipping sauce. Guthrie did not know at the time that his decision would make his name known from one side of Alabama to the other.

In 1982, the Guthries opened a second restaurant, this one just off campus of Auburn University. Not only was the Guthrie's chicken finger box popular with college students, people visiting Auburn for football games wanted a location in their hometown as well.

The Guthries answered that demand by opening several more stores across Alabama and also in places like Athens, Georgia, Tallahassee, Florida and even Cleveland, Ohio. If there is one thing that comes close to being as big as football in the south, it's a love for Guthrie's chicken.

A half-century after the first restaurant was opened by the Guthrie family, they are still a family owned and operated business. They are a shining example of American entrepreneurship. Having grown up in Haleyville and being in the 4th Congressional District, I am particularly proud of this great tradition and wish the Guthries another 50 years of great success.

OLDER AMERICANS ACT

HON. MARTHA MCSALLY

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

Ms. MCSALLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to support the reauthorization of the Older Americans Act, legislation that has helped countless Americans maintain their independence and dignity as they grow older.

The modest programs under the Older Americans Act make a big difference in communities across our country by providing nutrition and transportation assistance to seniors and helping them meet their daily needs.

In Pima County in my district, the Older Americans Act provides: 800 people a day with a home delivered meal; 1,200 people with assistance with bath, laundry, and other household needs; transportation to senior meal sites; and many other services.

Nearly 130,000 seniors live in the Second District, and they deserve the opportunity to live out their retirement without worrying about how they will meet basic needs.

Recently we saw the 50th anniversary of the Older Americans Act as well as the Senate unanimously pass legislation to reauthorize these critical programs. I urge my colleagues in the House to support reauthorization, so we can help give seniors the retirement security they deserve.

CANCEL AUGUST RECESS

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I am disappointed that Congress plans to adjourn for August recess without addressing critical issues important to the American people.

I appreciate that district work periods allow Members to visit with folks back in their community, but it is now becoming a habit for Congress to abandon a long "to do" list in the rush to get out of town. This August is no exception.

Unfortunately, Congress has not done its job. It has not completed the work of the people; including budgeting and critical national security legislation. Our constituents expect us to stay and finish the job.

Let's clear our schedules and—in the strongest possible terms—request the Speaker to call Congress back to Washington for the month of August and to finish the business of the people.

As I have said in previous years on the eve of August recess, I'm prepared to stay in Washington as long as it takes.

These issues are too important to delay.

TRIBUTE TO KATHRYN KUNERT

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Kathryn Kunert for being named a 2015 Woman of Influence honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, the Des Moines Business Record.

Since 2000, the Des Moines Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a group of standout female leaders in the Greater Des Moines Area that are making an impact in their communities either personally or professionally, forging a path for other women to follow. The women given this prestigious award are individuals who have selflessly dedicated their time and proven their leadership abilities across a variety of professional fields.

Ms. Kunert is a true testament to hard work, dedication and commitment. She has spent the last 19 years at MidAmerican Energy and now serves as the Vice President of Business and Community Development. Throughout her time at MidAmerican she has focused on forging lasting relationships in the community and with businesses, helping to grow the size and scope of MidAmerican. Through her leadership and expertise, Ms. Kunert has had a positive and lasting impact on all she has worked with.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Ms. Kunert in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud her for utilizing her talents to better the State of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in congratulating her on receiving this distinguished award, and wishing her the best of luck in all her future endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO HOWARD KELLER

HON. TIM WALBERG

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

Mr. WALBERG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank Howard Keller for his many years of service to the community of Adrian, Michigan.

On July 21, Mr. Keller retired after 34 years as a board member of the Lenawee Intermediate School District, most recently as board president. As an advocate for students and teachers alike, Mr. Keller's vision and dedicated servant leadership has been instrumental in moving the school district forward.

In addition to his role on the school board, Mr. Keller's tireless leadership has been evident in a number of causes. Earlier this year, Mr. Keller stepped down as a board member of the Lenawee Community Mental Health Authority after 26 years of service. He also continues to serve as the treasurer of the Maurice Spear Campus corporation board, a juvenile detention facility, a position he has held for 25 years.

Mr. Keller has left an indelible impact on our community through his dedication to promoting quality education, providing for those with developmental and emotional disabilities, and helping youth in need. He will be sorely missed, but I trust he will enjoy spending his newfound freedom with his family.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in commending Howard Keller for his many years of dedicated public service and wish him the best in his retirement.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I was not present for roll call votes 467–482 due to congressional travel.

Had I been present, I would have voted yes on #467, yes on #468, yes on #469, no on #470, no on #471, yes on #472, no on #473, no on #474, yes on #475, yes on #476, yes on #477, yes on #478, and no on #479, yes on #480, yes on #481, and no on #482.

IN RECOGNITION OF DR. JOE BOB MCGINNIS

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and Christian ministry of Dr. Joe Bob McGinnis. The residents of Roanoke and surrounding communities were blessed to have had such a wonderful Pastor, neighbor, and friend.

Dr. Joe Bob McGinnis was born September 30, 1947 in Brownwood to Dr. Robert W. and Joyce McGinnis. He earned his B.S. degree and doctor of divinity degree from Dallas Baptist College and his master of divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.