

Barbara Campbell has been coaching at Brentwood High School since 1988. She has a record of over 1500 wins, twelve State Champions and seven state runner-ups. She has a reputation of creating well-rounded and hardworking athletes who have continued their volleyball careers beyond high school. She pushes each player to not only be motivated in athletics, but academics as well and fosters character development with student success.

Brentwood High School is a powerful force in volleyball. These young athletes have made their mark in the world of high school athletics due to the talented persistence and drive of Coach Barbara Campbell. Now I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Coach Campbell for the numerous successes and wins she has accomplished and for the investment she has made in the lives of our communities and young people.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF ANDY SIGMON

HON. MICHAEL R. TURNER

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 13, 2017

Mr. TURNER. Mr. Speaker, as Members of Congress, we know that the key to a successful congressional office is to recruit the best and brightest people to serve the people we represent. Today I want to recognize a valued staff member, Andy Sigmon, who is leaving my office after 6½ years of faithful service to me, and to my constituents in Southwest Ohio.

Andy graduated from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, the city where he was born and raised. He moved to my congressional district to attend law school, and earned his law degree from the University of Dayton. He joined my office as an intern in 2010, and quickly moved up the career ladder to legislative assistant. For the past 16 months he has served as my legislative director.

Andy has had a direct role in the success of many of my top legislative priorities. In 2013, he helped gather bipartisan support among the Ohio congressional delegation, which enabled Central State University, one of our nation's oldest historically black institutions of higher education, to achieve land-grant status.

His input and knowledge has been indispensable to my work on the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, particularly in my efforts to hold the Obama administration accountable for its decision to cut the pension and health benefits of the Delphi Salaried Retirees, following the government's bailout of General Motors. Andy has taken a heartfelt interest in seeking justice for the Delphi retirees in my district, and directed my efforts to restore the Health Coverage Tax Credit (HCTC), which thousands of Delphi Salaried Retirees have used to offset their increased healthcare costs.

Andy Sigmon's hard work, loyalty, and public service exemplify his home state's Volunteer spirit. He is one of the finest people you could ever work with, or call a friend. I will always be grateful for his work these past six years on behalf of the people of Ohio's Tenth Congressional District. I wish him all the best as he begins the next chapter in his career.

NATIONAL PHARMACIST DAY

HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 13, 2017

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of National Pharmacist Day, which celebrates the work of pharmacists across America.

Pharmacists dedicate their lives to the health and wellbeing of their patients. They ensure their customers receive their medications properly and provide invaluable advice to those they serve.

In particular, I'd like to recognize the independent and community pharmacists in Northeast Georgia and across the United States, who play an essential role in the rural health ecosystem. In fact, pharmacists serve as the primary point of contact with the healthcare system for over 62 million Americans today.

Community pharmacists ensure that patients have access to affordable, lifesaving medications in rural areas throughout Georgia and across the United States. Often, these pharmacists are more than a face behind the counter—they are neighbors, friends, community leaders, and providers of advice and care. These local pharmacists live and work alongside their patients, building lasting relationships and regularly seeing their patients at church, school, and the grocery store. These strong relationships ensure quality care for patients, who bring their medical questions and concerns to their community pharmacist.

I know from my own experience what a difference a trusted pharmacist can make.

It is a privilege to thank and recognize pharmacists across our nation for their hard work today, on National Pharmacist Day. I will continue supporting our nation's pharmacists and working to ensure that patients have access to care from their local and community pharmacists for years to come.

JEFFREY BALLOU

HON. MICHAEL F. DOYLE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 13, 2017

Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize one of my constituents, Jeffrey Ballou, who takes up new responsibilities today as the 110th President of the National Press Club.

Jeff is a Pittsburgh native, the son of Geneva and Henry Ballou. He grew up in Pittsburgh's Homewood-Brushton neighborhood, and he attended Taylor Alderdice High School before going on to earn his undergraduate degree in journalism from Penn State University and his graduate degree in journalism and public affairs from American University. Jeff is an unwavering fan of Pittsburgh's legendary sports teams—the Pirates, the Steelers, and the Penguins.

Jeff started his career in journalism working for CONUS Communications covering the White House. He subsequently worked as planning editor for Fox Television Channel 5, WTTG, here in Washington, DC. He worked at C-SPAN and National Public Radio as well. He's spent roughly the last ten years at Al

Jazeera Media Network, first as its Deputy News Editor and then as Editor of its 24-hour English language news channel.

Throughout his career, Jeff Ballou has demonstrated a strong commitment to objective journalism and to improving the profession. He served on the Executive Committee of the Radio & Television Correspondents Association, for example, and he served as President and National Committee Co-Chair of the National Association of Black Journalists.

Finally, he has been actively involved in the National Press Club, which proudly claims the title of "the world's leading professional organization for journalists." For more than a hundred years, the National Press Club has been a prominent organization in the field of journalism and an advocate for free press around the world. Jeff has been a member of the National Press Club since 1992 and served on its board from 2014 to 2015. Jeff was elected to serve as Vice President of the organization over the past year, and in recognition of his extensive experience in journalism and his proven leadership skills, Jeff was elected to serve as the 110th President of the National Press Club for the coming year.

I am confident that Jeff's many years of experience have prepared him well for his new responsibilities as President of this storied institution. I want to congratulate Jeff on this honor—and new opportunity to improve the profession of journalism, and I wish him a successful term as the 110th President of the National Press Club.

RECOGNIZING PAUL MICKELSON

HON. MARK POCAN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 13, 2017

Mr. POCAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of Paul Mickelson—a constituent who dedicated his life's work to public service in his community, his state, and abroad.

Paul Mickelson began his career in public service by joining the Beloit Fire Department. He worked there for 26 years serving several roles including motor pump operator, firefighter, and ambulance attendant. Paul also honorably served as the Fire Department's Union Representative and Union President.

After his retirement from the Beloit Fire Department, Paul joined the U.S. Peace Corps and served in Cameroon. While he was there, he fell in love with the country and wanted to give back to the community where he worked. He founded Paul's Computer Institute (PCI) in Bamenda, Cameroon in 1997 which focuses on delivering high levels of professional training based in the Information and Communication Technology sectors. Thanks to Paul's hard work and dedication to increase access to high quality education and professional training, the PCI has become one of the largest and most respected computer training centers in West Africa.

For all his contributions to public service, Paul was recognized as a Paul Harris Fellow by Rotary Club and was honored by Beloit College for his work and success with PCI.

Paul's commitment to education and public service will live on through the Beloit community and the school he built in Cameroon.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great honor that I recognize the life of Mr. Paul Mickelson today.

A DECADE OF SERVICE

HON. TOM EMMER

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 13, 2017

Mr. EMMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a Minnesota public servant. After nearly a decade of service to his community, my friend, and St. Michael Mayor. Jerry Zachman is retiring from his post.

Jerry has deep roots in St. Michael as he is a part of the fifth generation of his family to live there and these strong ties to his beloved community no doubt inspired Jerry to serve.

As the community began to grow and develop, his main goal was to ensure St. Michael residents were always put first. I think that it's safe to say that Jerry did just that.

During his ten years as mayor, Jerry has made numerous improvements to this ever-growing city. One major project Jerry played a huge role in is the expansion of the I-94 corridor, which cuts through Minnesota's Sixth District.

I would like to thank Jerry for his unwavering dedication to St. Michael and to our great state, and I wish him nothing but the best in his future endeavors.

INTRODUCTION OF THE NO CONGRESSIONAL CONSENT FOR PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP TO ACCEPT FOREIGN EMOLUMENTS OF ANY KIND WHATSOEVER

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 13, 2017

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, the Constitution clearly states: "No Title of Nobility shall be granted by the United States: And no Person holding any office of Profit or Trust under them, shall, without the Consent of the Congress, accept of any present, Emolument, Office, or Title, of any kind whatever, from any King, Prince, or foreign State."

The law defines public service as a public trust. It requires government employees to place loyalty to the Constitution, and laws and ethical principles above private gain. At his inauguration, President-elect Donald J. Trump will swear an oath to uphold the Constitution. Given the immensity of Mr. Trump's business dealings, grave concerns exist that he will immediately be in violation of this oath. Every one of his personal investments will pose a conflict of interest. Any ongoing foreign business relationship threatens to violate the Constitution's Emoluments Clause. The Constitution must be upheld.

Our Founding Fathers identified the principles important to the bedrock of our democracy; they included an anticorruption measure known as the Emolument Clause. Its inclusion emphasized their desire to preserve independence from external influence. There is no question this principle should apply to this President, as it has to every other President of our nation.

Mr. Trump has achieved great wealth and his investments spread across the United States and dozens of foreign countries. His personal finances are directly impacted not only by our own policy but also by policies adopted in other nations. His debt obligations pose great conflicts of interests and the possibility of hidden influences will eclipse every action and decision Mr. Trump makes. There is no way to be sure of the full depth of Mr. Trump's conflicts. He continues to refuse to release his tax returns, a key component of accountability provided by every President and presidential candidate since Richard Nixon.

When asked what he will do to eliminate the conflicts, Mr. Trump has said it's "a very simple situation" and "routine." Yet, thus far, he has not explained how he will address the conflicts. Meanwhile, there has been little division between Mr. Trump's business interests and his transition. This fly-by-the-seat-of-your-pants approach is unconstitutional and dangerous to liberty.

Our Founding Fathers would not accept this uncertainty and subversion of the Constitution. They constructed the Clause to clearly forbid self-serving dealings. They established a clear baseline of unacceptable conduct, rather than force after-the-fact judgement. Further, they granted Congress the power to validate exchanges.

This is why I am introducing a joint resolution, the "No Congressional Consent for President Donald J. Trump to Accept Foreign Emoluments of Any Kind Whatsoever." It empowers Congress to act by explicitly denying consent for Mr. Trump to accept any and all emoluments, whatever they may be.

The resolution details that since the President is a federal office holder, he is subject to the strict scrutiny of the Emolument Clause. As such, the President cannot accept any Emolument without the consent of Congress and since emolument is broadly qualified, the consent or denial is in effect for a full spectrum of transactions. Specifically, these transactions include emoluments from foreign States and corporations owned or controlled by foreign governments. Further, the resolution explicitly denies Congressional consent for Mr. Trump's acceptance of any emolument, whatever it may be and requires President Trump to report back to Congress on specific action taken to ensure his compliance with the Emoluments Clause.

Mr. Speaker, Congress must act to uphold our Constitution and decide what should be allowed and what cannot be tolerated with Mr. Trump's business dealings. Without full sunlight and full separation of private interests from the public trust, we must deny any acceptance of any emolument.

RECOGNIZING MRS. OLIVIA S. JACKSON

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 13, 2017

Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge Mrs. Olivia S. Jackson on her 88th birthday, which was December 13, 2016. Mrs. Jackson celebrated her birthday on January 7th in Chicago with her family and friends.

I am hopeful that she has many birthdays to come and wish her all the fun and joy in celebrating throughout the year.

REGARDING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY DURING 2016

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 13, 2017

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to address an increasing concern about the threat against our law enforcement officers, many of whom have been killed by civilians in the line of duty this past year.

We must honor and protect the men, and women that wake up every day to put their lives on the line for us, making an incredible sacrifice to keep their communities safe.

Without them our communities would be broken and our nation would be left fragmented.

Today more than 900,000 law enforcement officers serve the people of this nation, risking their lives for the communities they serve.

Last year proved to be one of tremendous violence, witnessing the loss of 140 law enforcement officers' lives across the nation—65 of whom died from gun violence alone.

Texas experienced the highest rate of law enforcement killings in the line of duty during, tolling 19 deaths—seven of whom were killed as a result of gun violence.

Dallas Police Department:
Senior Corporal Lorne Bradley Ahrens, July 8, 2016;
Officer Patricio E. Zamarripa, July 7, 2016;
Sergeant Michael Joseph Smith, July 7, 2016;
Officer Michael Leslie Krol, July 7, 2016.
Dallas Area Rapid Transit Police Department:

Officer Brent Alan Thompson, 7/7/16.
Euless Police Department:
Officer David Stefan Hofer, 3/1/16.
San Antonio Police Department:
Detective Benjamin Edward Marconi, 11/20/16.

Today I rise in solidarity with the police departments and communities mourning the loss of their loved ones.

These brave men and women risk their lives to keep us safe and are too often taken from their families by the violence they toil to prevent.

Mr. Speaker, I ask for a moment of silence in memory of all of the Law Enforcement officers killed on the line of duty during 2016.

HART COUNTY LIBRARY

HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 13, 2017

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the dedication and enthusiasm of the team at the Hart County Library, located in Hartwell, Georgia.

The library, which had its humble beginnings in 1938 as a small lending library, has continuously sought to educate and inspire