

then, the Toastmasters has grown to over 140 clubs throughout Orange County, California, and has more than 2,500 members. The Toastmasters Founder's District assists other communities in building new clubs while supporting existing clubs in achieving and maintaining excellence. The Toastmasters Founder's District continues to grow and now includes an international community under Toastmasters International.

The Founder's District and Toastmasters International aim to empower individuals to become more effective communicators and leaders. Members of Toastmasters, both past and present, have used their skills and experiences from the organization and applied them to careers in politics, teaching, and more.

Notably, one member placed in the top three at the World Championship Competition of Public Speaking, surpassing over 30,000 competitors. Furthermore, the member was invited to speak at a TEDx event as well as in various countries throughout Europe, the Middle East, and Asia. They believe that although there are many types of speeches, if you can master one, you can master them all. Toastmasters provides the tools and valuable experience to practice and master skills such as speaking on a global platform. Through the experience, members are better equipped to achieve their goals.

I ask my colleagues to join me in commending the Toastmasters Founder's District for its dedication to our local community and in honoring its 75 years of achievements and innovation in communication and leadership skills.

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TRIBUTE TO CAROL S. LARSON

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, August 20, 2019*

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor and celebrate the career of Carol S. Larson, President and CEO of the David and Lucile Packard Foundation, who is retiring at the end of 2019 after 30 years with the Packard Foundation and 15 years serving as its President and CEO. Carol's dedication to helping children and families in California, the United States, and around the world has improved countless lives and made immeasurable contributions to the field of philanthropy.

A graduate of Stanford University and Yale Law School, Carol joined the Packard Foundation in 1989 and assumed the role of Director of Research and Grants, Law and Public Policy at the then-titled Center for the Future of Children where she focused her grantmaking on child health and welfare issues. She edited and contributed to the journal publication *The Future of Children* on topics ranging from drug-exposed infants, to school-linked services, to home visiting, to juvenile courts, and taught two courses at Stanford Law School on child abuse and neglect.

Carol became President and CEO of the Packard Foundation in 2004. Under her leadership, the Foundation averaged \$300 million in annual grantmaking and deployed \$500 million in total mission investments to hundreds of partners, ranging from community-based organizations around the world to renowned in-

stitutions in the Bay Area. During Carol's tenure, the Foundation also provided \$349 million in funding to organizations and efforts working to improve the health and well-being of children through the Packard Foundation's Children, Families, and Communities program. This funding has helped increase health care coverage for uninsured children; enrolled more children in preschool and introduced a new Transitional Kindergarten for four-year-olds; improved pediatric and obstetric care through the world-renowned Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford University; strengthened the quality of early childhood programs; and ushered in a new understanding that the well-being of children must be viewed through the lens of the whole family. The Packard Foundation's integration of two-generation strategies that seek better outcomes for parents and children together into its work promoting the well-being of children has shaped how philanthropy, policymakers, and advocates act on behalf of families.

Under Carol's tenure, the Packard Foundation has also reinforced the Packard family's strong commitment to Northern California. Since 2008, the Foundation has devoted over \$156 million through its Local Grantmaking program to organizations committed to increasing opportunities for families and communities in the Bay Area, raising the bar for other Silicon Valley philanthropists to support local organizations.

In recognition of her work and her contributions to the field of philanthropy, Carol received the Council on Foundation's Distinguished Service Award in 2016; the American Leadership Forum—Silicon Valley's 2019 John W. Gardner Award; and the World Affairs 2019 Global Citizenship Award for her leadership and dedication to the public good.

Madam Speaker, I ask the entire House of Representatives to join me in congratulating Carol S. Larson on her extraordinary career and expressing our deepest appreciation to her for dedicating her life to improving the lives of children and families, and strengthening our county immeasurably.

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IN RECOGNITION OF THE GOLD MEDAL CONGRESSIONAL AWARD ACHIEVED BY MR. TREVOR REY

**HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, August 20, 2019*

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate Mr. Trevor Rey's accomplishment in receiving the Gold Medal Congressional Award, Congress's highest honor for the youth of our country. In attaining this award, Mr. Rey demonstrated his commitment to succeed in both his academic endeavors and athletic events. Such an achievement could not have been done without the support and dedication of his family and community. I am honored and proud to represent the exemplary work of young people like Trevor Rey in Missouri's Fifth Congressional District.

The Congressional Gold Medal Award requires much from those who seek to attain it, including a tenacity and drive that few possess. The Congressional Award was originally created in 1979 in an effort to recognize initiative, service, and achievement in young peo-

ple. In order to receive such a prestigious award, applicants must complete a wide array of assignments, including at least 400 hours of voluntary public service, 200 hours of personal development and physical fitness, and a 5-day expedition. In order to complete his 400 hours of public service, Mr. Rey split his time among several community organizations. First, he served as a troop guide for his local Boy Scout Troop, Troop No. 46, on their trip to the Philmont Scout Camp, where they worked to earn merit badges and learn how to be good scouts. Mr. Rey also volunteered at his church, the Red Bridge United Methodist Church, and at his high school, Center High School in Kansas City. In addition, Mr. Rey serves in the United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps where he developed an appreciation for our country's rich naval history and helped senior citizens affected by Hurricane Harvey in Houston, Texas by cleaning debris and painting houses. Mr. Rey also set physical goals in order to become a better wrestler for his high school. In order to fulfill this goal, Mr. Rey attended a wrestling camp to learn advanced wrestling skills and improve his endurance and strength. Through his commitment, Mr. Rey demonstrated what it means to work for the betterment of your community and achieve personal growth in the process. Mr. Rey and his fellow recipients continue the great legacy of those receiving the Congressional Award.

Madam Speaker, please join me and all of Missouri's Fifth Congressional District in congratulating Mr. Trevor Rey for receiving the Gold Medal Congressional Award. I encourage my fellow citizens to follow the example of Mr. Rey and the rest of the Congressional Award recipients and commit ourselves not only to personal improvement, but to the improvement of our communities as well.

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CONGRATULATING HUNTER NEWMAN FOR HIS WIN AT THE STATE FINALS BOYS' TRACK AND FIELD TOURNAMENT IN THE 4X800 METER RELAY

**HON. CHERI BUSTOS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, August 20, 2019*

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Hunter Newman, a freshman from Morrison High School, who won the Illinois High School Association's Class 1A State Finals Boys' Track and Field Tournament in the 4x800 Meter Relay. Hunter and his team finished first with a time of 7:57.85.

Hunter and his teammates easily overcame the second-place team for their win at state. As a former athlete, I appreciate the fortitude Hunter displayed to achieve his dream of being a state champion and commend him for his efforts and attitude. Hunter is an example of the importance of dedication and a strong work ethic. I am proud to see him represent Morrison so well throughout the state with his talent and passion.

It is because of student leaders such as Hunter that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate Hunter Newman on his Class 1A State Finals title in Boys' Track and Field.