

30 years of mutual friendship, respect, and experience to create Tanimura & Antle. The new company combined the Antle's shipping and marketing savvy with the Tanimura's growing expertise. That combination has helped T&A grow into one of the world's premier fresh produce companies. And it forms the basis of T&A's continued success.

Throughout his life, George was extremely active in countless community efforts, giving his leadership, commitment and wealth to making the Salinas Valley a better place for all farm families to live. Even though he was a living legend in the farming community and widely respected by all who knew him, it was his deep sense of humility that kept him from claiming any recognition other than his simple refrain, "it doesn't matter, I'm just a farmer."

While George Tanimura thought of himself as a humble farmer, his hard work and integrity created one of the pillars of the American agricultural economy. The Buddha said, "in the end only three things matter: how much you loved, how gently you lived, and how gratefully you let go of things not meant for you." In the end, George Tanimura will be remembered for his love for his family, how he lived his life and his willingness to encourage and support others in the fresh produce industry. It is a legacy for all of us to remember in these turbulent times.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NATIONAL COLLEGIATE HONORS COUNCIL

**HON. HAKEEM S. JEFFRIES**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 21, 2016*

Mr. JEFFRIES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge the 50th anniversary of the National Collegiate Honors Council and their commitment to collegiate honors education. Since their inception, the National Collegiate Honors Council has been dedicated to excellence in education in diverse subject and curriculum areas. They serve over 800 colleges and universities and over 325,000 students across the country.

I also want to recognize the Kingsborough Community College, in Southern Brooklyn, for their outstanding dedication to academic enrichment and achievement. Kingsborough Community College serves about 14,000 full and part-time students each year in a wide array of liberal arts and career education courses. Kingsborough Community College provides its students with a high level of education through its associate degree programs that prepare students to transfer to senior colleges or enter directly into a professional career.

Kingsborough Community College offers qualifying students the opportunity to challenge themselves in the Honors Program with rigorous coursework, the ability to study with other gifted students and benefit from increased contact with top faculty.

Characterized by smaller classes, individual research projects, internships, study-travel opportunities and community service, Kingsborough Community College Honors program enhances their students' global awareness and cultivates America's future leaders.

Having produced notable alumni that include Sid Rosenberg, the accomplished sports radio

personality, Jeff Koinange, Emmy award winning journalist and Andrew Weyman, Director of shows such as the Big Bang Theory and The King of Queens, Kingsborough Community College continues to educate the global leaders of tomorrow.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF PARK RANGERS AT YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK

**HON. TOM McCLINTOCK**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 21, 2016*

Mr. McCLINTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the state and federal park rangers who have served Yosemite National Park over the last 150 years. Specifically, I rise to honor Mr. Galen Clark, the first appointed "guardian" (park ranger) of Yosemite in 1866.

As the first ranger, Mr. Clark served 22 years while dedicating his life to protect and administer the nation's first great outdoors natural park at Yosemite. Since then, the park has served over 185 million visitors.

Set aside by President Abraham Lincoln in 1864 with the express intent "to be held for public use, resort, and recreation for all time," the Yosemite Valley is a national treasure that belongs to the American people in perpetuity.

President Lincoln made this land available to the public by understanding and respecting the government's role "of the people, by the people, and for the people," describing the philosophy behind the dedication of Yosemite.

Today, the National Park Service administers more than 400 national parks throughout the United States by partnering with communities to preserve historical landmarks and create outdoor recreational places.

The California Department of Parks and Recreation manages 280 parks, preserving some of the finest resources found in California.

Ranger Clark served honorably as Yosemite's first park ranger, creating a prestigious fraternal order for those who have followed in his footsteps, embodying Thomas Jefferson's words: "When a man assumes a public trust, he should consider himself as public property."

Recognition of Mr. Clark's appointment as the first park ranger is a momentous event, offering an opportunity to reflect, highlight, and honor the history and contribution of park staff over the last 150 years.

Mr. Speaker, Ranger Clark and all other park rangers who have committed their lives to the preservation of Yosemite National Park as a place of "public use, resort, and recreation for all time" deserve to be remembered for their service and dedication for ensuring public access and enjoyment of this extraordinary national treasure.

RECOGNIZING HONOR FLIGHT SYRACUSE

**HON. JOHN KATKO**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 21, 2016*

Mr. KATKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Honor Flight Syracuse. Honor Flight

Syracuse is a private, not-for-profit organization and is one of more than 130 regional hubs of the National Honor Flight Network. Honor Flight Syracuse became an official hub in the Honor Flight Network in May of 2012.

Honor Flight Syracuse's mission is to honor America's veterans by transporting them to Washington, D.C. to visit the national memorials dedicated to their service and sacrifice. The goal of Honor Flight Syracuse is to help every single war veteran in the greater Syracuse area, willing and capable, to obtain a flight to visit their memorial at no cost to them.

Since May of 2012, Honor Flight Syracuse has completed six missions to Washington, D.C., with a seventh mission scheduled for this month. Honor Flight Syracuse gives top priority to America's most senior-citizen heroes—veterans of World War II and any war veteran with a terminal illness.

Thanks to Honor Flight Syracuse's dedicated leadership team, board members and volunteers, hundreds of Veterans from the greater Syracuse area, Northern New York State, and the Mohawk Valley have been able to travel to Washington, D.C. and visit the memorials that honor their service and sacrifice.

I am honored to recognize such an incredible organization dedicated to helping veterans in our community. I want to pay tribute to all who have made Honor Flight Syracuse such a remarkable program and to thank all of the veterans who have participated in Honor Flight Syracuse for their sacrifice and dedication to our country.

CONGRATULATING KATHRYN SZYMANSKI ON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL

**HON. CHERI BUSTOS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 21, 2016*

Mrs. BUSTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Kathryn Szymanski, who is retiring from the Rock Island Arsenal on April 28th. Currently, she serves as Chief Counsel for the U.S. Army Sustainment Command and the Joint Munitions Command. For decades, Ms. Szymanski has served honorably in different levels of government and public service.

Ms. Szymanski began her career in public service at the U.S. Army Tank-automotive and Armaments Command, where she was a procurement attorney, general law attorney, and procurement fraud advisor. Later in her career at the U.S. Army Materiel Command Headquarters, she served as counsel and continued to protect our armed forces from fraud. Before coming to the Rock Island Arsenal, Ms. Szymanski served as the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Infrastructure Analysis at the Army Headquarters in Washington D.C.

Ms. Szymanski also has a demonstrated history of going above and beyond her daily responsibilities. Earlier this year, she was named the U.S. Army Sustainment Command 2015 Equal Employment Opportunity Champion of the Year for her commitment to promoting equality, inclusion, and access for women and minorities.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank Ms. Szymanski for her commitment not only to