

work and diligence to their studies, not to mention their impressive intellect.

Mr. Speaker, Ryan Dirksen, who attends Springfield Catholic High School, has shown a level of dedication and aptitude for the health sciences that will leave him well prepared to represent Missouri at this Congress. I would like to extend my personal congratulations for his achievement, and on behalf of the 7th District of Missouri, I would like to thank him for representing our district.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LOUISE McINTOSH SLAUGHTER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained and missed Roll Call vote numbers 194 and 195. Had I been present, I would have voted aye on both.

TRIBUTE TO PATTY AND ELVIN SHAFAR

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Patty and Elvin Shafar on the very special occasion of their 70th wedding anniversary.

Elvin and Patty were married on May 13, 1946 and made their home in Bedford, Iowa. Their lifelong commitment to each other embodies Iowa's values. As the years pass, may their marriage continue to grow even stronger and may they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many more years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this lovely couple on their 70 years of life together and I heartily wish them many more. I know my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, May 16, 2016, I was absent and missed the day's votes. Had I been present, I would have voted "Yea," on both Roll Call No. 194 and Roll Call No. 195.

HONORING LA CUMBRE BREWING

HON. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor La Cumbre Brewing on their outstanding accom-

plishment during the 2016 World Beer Cup awards.

The Brewers Association hosts the World Beer Cup every two years, a competition which features over 200 judges for over 90 categories of beer. Large and small breweries throughout the globe enter this prestigious event.

I am honored to know that Albuquerque, New Mexico's very own La Cumbre Brewing received the Gold in the International Style Lager category, for their High Plains Pils, out of a total of 103 entries from around the world. La Cumbre Brewing President and Master Brewer, Jeff Erway explained that his company has been working on the recipe for this exquisite beer for the past three years.

La Cumbre Brewing was founded in Albuquerque in 2010 by Jeff and Laura Erway. Initially, the company had only three, 15 barrel fermenters and five part time employees. However, in the past five years they have expanded rapidly throughout New Mexico and the country. Today annual production exceeds 11,000 barrels of beer and La Cumbre Brewing employs a team of 35 people.

As a small locally owned manufacturing and service business La Cumbre Brewing represents the prosperity of a burgeoning local craft beer industry in New Mexico. La Cumbre Brewing is a testament to the contributions small businesses make to our country and communities and the idea that with hard work and dedication nothing is unattainable.

To this day lawyers, government officials, business leaders, political icons, artists and students continue to enjoy exquisite beers in La Cumbre Brewing's friendly atmosphere. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this moment to recognize La Cumbre Brewing for their accomplishments in the 2016 World Beer Cup competition and commitment to our community at large. I am proud to know that we have a great business located in the First Congressional District of New Mexico.

CELEBRATING THE RETIREMENT OF DONALD RAY HILL

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the retirement of Donald Ray Hill of Taylor, Texas. A pillar of this bustling community nestled in the heart of my congressional district, Don's extraordinary commitment to service to his beloved home town reflects the best values of Central Texas.

Some people live an entire lifetime and wonder if they have made a difference in the world. Don Hill doesn't have that problem. From his service in the Marine Corps to his role as Mayor of the City of Taylor to serving as Steward at Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church for over 37 years to countless other endeavors, Don has led a life of devotion to his community.

Don was of service to all citizens. He worked tirelessly to feed the hungry, take care of the aged, and educate the young. The efforts of involved citizens like Don bring a community together and make residents proud to call Taylor home.

Retirement is to be celebrated and enjoyed. It is not the end of a career, but rather the be-

ginning of a new adventure. I heartily salute Don Hill's work and contributions to his community. I wish him all the best as he begins his richly deserved retirement.

HONORING JOHN CRUMPTON ON BEING ACCEPTED BY THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF FUTURE PHYSICIANS AND MEDICAL SCIENTISTS AS A DELEGATE TO THE CONGRESS OF FUTURE MEDICAL LEADERS

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor John Crumpton, of Branson, Missouri, who has been accepted by the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists as a delegate to the Congress of Future Medical Leaders.

The Congress of Future Medical Leaders is an honors-only program that is designed to motivate and direct the top students in the United States. It is specifically for students who aspire to be physicians or enter into the field of medical research, and helps to provide a path and mentorship for students to accomplish those dreams. It takes place at the University of Massachusetts over 3 days, and helps to spark meaningful dialogues and exchanges of ideas between future leaders in the medical field.

To be considered for acceptance as a delegate, applicants must be recommended by either a teacher or member of the Academy based on a proven track record of academic excellence. Students must have a minimum of a 3.5 GPA, and represent all 50 states and Puerto Rico. It is an incredibly selective opportunity, and those students who qualify for selection have done so because of their hard work and diligence to their studies, not to mention their impressive intellect.

Mr. Speaker, John Crumpton, who attends Branson High School, has shown a level of excellence in academics and passion for science that leaves me fully confident that he will represent Missouri well at this Congress. I would like to extend my personal congratulations for his achievement, and on behalf of the 7th District of Missouri, I would like to thank him for representing our district.

TRIBUTE TO TYRA PENTON

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Tyra Penton, of Bedford, Iowa for being selected for the 2016 Upward Bound Math and Science Program Hall of Fame Award.

The Northwest Missouri State University TRiO program created this Hall of Fame award to honor outstanding TRiO participants and to showcase the array of students within TRiO Programs. The TRiO Programs are federally-funded programs dedicated to helping first generation, low-income students succeed