Alliance. Board of Directors, Old Charleston Insurance Company Board, American Legion Post 79, and numerous other community organizations. Bob is a member of the Sinclair Lodge, Columbia York Rite Bodies, and Jamil Shriners.

He was predeceased by his wife of sixty-seven years, Raye Hutto Livingston. He is survived by his son, Bob Livingston, Jr. (Barbara), his daughter, Marilyn Gray (Billy); seven grandchildren, Acy Flora (Blair), Bob Livingston, III (Katie), Betsy Sippel (Patrick), Rachel Popkowski (Joe), Anna Bryant (Tom), Rebekah Morris (Alex), and Roxanne Rich (Auston); thirteen great-grandchildren, Jack Sippel, Joe Popkowski, Jr., Connor Bryant, Margaret Raye Flora, Emily Sippel, Barbara Popkowski, Georgia Popkowski, Ford Livingston, Greyson Bryant, Court Morris, Foster Rich, Mary Lane Livingston and Baker Morris.

A private graveside service will be held at 9:00 on Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at Mount Tabor Lutheran Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Mount Tabor Lutheran Church, 1000 B Avenue, West Columbia, SC 29169.

ALICIA QUINTANA

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 23, 2020

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Alicia Quintana for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

Alicia Quintana is a 10th grader at Adams City High School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Alicia Quintana is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Alicia Quintana for winning the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

INTRODUCTION OF THE EMERGENCY CANNABIS SMALL BUSINESS HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT OF 2020

HON. EARL BLUMENAUER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 23, 2020

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Madam Speaker, the COVID–19 pandemic has upended life as we know it and has impacted every aspect of American society. The abrupt health and economic turmoil caused by COVID–19 has left businesses, workers and families questioning the security of their futures. Our nation's small businesses are among those who have felt this pandemic most acutely. To prevent workers from choosing between their health and a paycheck we passed sweeping and unprecedented legislation to shield American businesses from the full economic consequences of COVID–19. However, state-legal cannabis small businesses were excluded from this economic relief and remain ill-equipped to respond to the health and economic crisis before them.

Small businesses across the country are being asked to do their part in keeping their workers, customers, and families safe. To support these efforts, on March 27, 2020, the President signed into law the CARES Act, which contains $376 billion in relief for American workers and small businesses. However, many state-legal cannabis small businesses are not eligible for this-relief and are being asked to protect workers and their families without the federal support available to other American small businesses. State-legal cannabis entrepreneurs and their workers are no different from those of other industries, and since COVID–19 does not discriminate, the inability of certain groups to protect themselves could inadvertently jeopardize the health of us all.

The Emergency Cannabis Small Business Health and Safety Act would open access to SBA assistance relating to COVID–19 to state-legal cannabis businesses and their service providers. Specifically, this legislation would allow state-legal cannabis businesses to be eligible for the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL), and Economic Injury Disaster Loans emergency advances. Among other things, this support is specifically designed to be used to pay workers, group health benefits and paid sick leave.

The health and safety of the American people must be put first during the COVID–19 pandemic. Without doing so, we risk undermining the efforts of us all.

SUPPORTING H.R. 266, THE PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM, AND H. RES. 935, THE HEALTH CARE ENHANCEMENT ACT

HON. ALAN S. LOWENTHAL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 23, 2020

Mr. LOWENTHAL. Madam Speaker, today the House will consider the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act, crucial legislation to deliver resources our small businesses and health care providers need to confront the coronavirus outbreak. I will not attend House proceedings today but if present would have voted YEA on H.R. 266 and YEA on H.Res. 935 to establish a Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis.

This public health crisis has upended businesses in my community and across the country. Additional resources for the Paycheck Protection Program will ensure these businesses can retain employees and are ready to participate in our economic recovery. Further, additional resources for our healthcare system—including $825 million for Community Health Centers—will make sure these essential organizations can continue to serve our communities during this pandemic.

I am proud of the efforts of House Democrats to strengthen this legislation, including securing key resources for testing and allocating small business loans to community-based lenders that have strong relationships with local small businesses.

While I am proud of this bipartisan agreement, we must re-double our efforts in the weeks ahead to develop a relief plan that paves the way for our economic recovery.

AMANI ABDALLAH

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 23, 2020

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Amani Abdallah for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

Amani Abdallah is a 10th grader at Aurora West College Prep Academy and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Amani Abdallah is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Amani Abdallah for winning the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

BATTLING THE PANDEMIC—A POEM

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 23, 2020

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, at a time of national emergency, it is inspiring that the positive ''It Can Be Done'' American Spirit is appreciated.

I include in the RECORD a meaningful contribution by Joan M. Lacombe, the Poet Laureate of Aiken, South Carolina, published in the Aiken Standard.

BATTLING THE PANDEMIC

They have closed the building, but not the church!
We will continue to reach out to the needy and distressed,
Vowing not one soul left to be missed.
For the church is not a building constructed by man.
It is made of ''we the people,'' God's message to bring.
The church embodies the God-crafted Temples of the Holy Spirit
Where we all lovingly dwell within.
The cancellation of liturgies, a dramatic move,
New rules or worship set in place, health conditions to protect; we to obey.
Heartbreaking—as it disrupts our Lenten Journey
To have this taken away when we need it most—a bitter irony.
Together we will get through this—
It is not for us to fall into a faithless abyss.
For we Christians are persevering
As our Easter goal we are nearing.